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SUMMARY.

A bill for the reform of the House of Lords is being drafted by Lord Newton.

It is proposed to include in the House of Lords ex-Ministers and some others who have served the State.

The Prime Minister says the attention of the House of Commons will be called to matters of grave importance.

This is interpreted as referring to reform of the House of Lords.

Dr. Sven Hedin, the Swedish traveller, has traversed darkest Thibet diagonally.

He discovered many new lakes, mountain ranges, and goldfields.

For ticketing River Plate mutton as New Zealand a Smithfield meat contractor was fined £5, with £25 costs.

At Leeds Mr. Churchill spoke of the necessity of establishing a squadron of warships to patrol outlying parts of the Empire.

By an explosion in a colliery in West Virginia 30 workmen were killed.

A fire in Wood-street, Cheapside, destroyed several warehouses. The damage is estimated at £150,000.

The Ameer's disregard of conventionalities and free manners during his tour of India have astounded everyone.

M. Daniel Osiris, a French contractor, has bequeathed £1,000,000 to the Pasteur Institute.

There are 19,000 unemployed in Johannesburg.

Mr. J. B. Robinson is giving £5000 towards providing for present wants of the unemployed.

H.M.S. Fantome will relieve H.M.S. Penguin on the Australian station on March 31.

Another great procession in connection with the elections took place at Berlin.

Prince Bulow acclaimed the reawakened German spirit, and expressed full confidence in the future.

The National Rifle Association is appealing for subscriptions to send a rifle team to Australia.

A French hydrographical mission in Morocco was ambushed by tribesmen on the river Sebu.

A friendly native enabled the members of the mission to escape to the coast, though some were wounded.

The Royal Commission's report regarding New Guinea affairs was furnished to the Prime Minister yesterday.

The report is very voluminous, and the most important part refers to Captain Barton.

References are made to the squabbles between the Administrator and officials.

The Administrator is severely censured, and certain changes are recommended regarding the government of the territory.

Returning officers of the States are now in Melbourne.

They are reporting upon their experiences during the recent Federal elections.

They have been asked to make suggestions with the object of perfecting voting procedure.

The practice of rejecting votes on the ground of informality will be discussed.

Sir John Sherbourne, formerly Mayor of Hull, is at present in Melbourne.

He suggests the subsidising of a direct line of vessels between Australia and Hull for the betterment of trade.

Dr. Rentoul, who is returning to Melbourne by the R.M.S. Marmora, was interviewed at Fremantle.

He was impressed with the immense personal popularity of the King throughout the United Kingdom.

He noticed a tendency in England to turn Sunday into a day of pleasuring and amusement.

The main portions of the wreck of the ketch Pilot, lost in the Cooktown cyclone, have been found at Cape Bedford.

There was evidence that the vessel was dismasted.

It is stated that the seas on the fatal night were 60ft in height.

There are indications that the cyclone was assisted by submarine volcanic eruption, accompanied by a tidal wave.

The New South Wales bowlers defeated a team at Christchurch yesterday by 102 points to 94.

Mr. William Hutcheson, civil engineer, of Dunedin, was killed by a shark when bathing.

His death was witnessed by his wife and mother.

The Federal Cabinet has decided not to appoint a delegate to the Navigation Conference in place of Mr. J. C. Watson, M.P.

Mr. Deakin states that a visit by Mr. Watson to London would have been very valuable.

The British public men and press would have become acquainted with him.

The conference's work so far as Australia was concerned would merely be the preparation of work for the Federal Parliament.

The Government's nominations were distinctly the best possible in the circumstances.

Trouble has arisen in the South Blocks Mine, Broken Hill, regarding the method of breaking ore.

As a result of the dispute, about 15 men have ceased work.

The State Premier's reference to the Labour party's platform as a programme of scissors is resented in Labour-socialist circles.

The Armidale Cup, which was run yesterday, was won by Garches.

The water in Cataract Dam is polluted owing to excessive vegetable matter.

Thunderstorms occurred in many districts yesterday.

There were heavy showers in the metropolis in the evening.

A severe storm occurred at Katoomba yesterday afternoon; 86 points of rain fell in 20 minutes.

The waters at the Cascades, Leura Falls, rose rapidly, and carried a lady down the stream.

A gentleman went to the rescue, and was hurled down the torrent.

The two were swept down the stream to a log bridge, 30 yards from Leura Falls, where they were blocked.

There has been a reduction this week in the plague rats caught in the metropolis.

A suspicious case of sickness has occurred at Kempsey. The patient was engaged in cleansing operations.

A portion of Killarney estate, Narrabri district, is to be subdivided for closer settlement purposes.

The Minister for Works yesterday turned the first sod of the Erskineville tramway, opposite the local Town Hall.

The line, which will be about two miles in length, will cost over £80,000, including resumptions.

It is expected that the line will be available for traffic before the end of the year.

At the celebration banquet the Minister said he would have to undertake six tramways in the next six months.

Over half a million cases of apples, almost double last year's shipment, will be exported this season form Tasmania to England and Europe.

The Hobart Cup was run yesterday, and was won by Viola.

The wheat crop in South Australia is estimated as the second largest on record.

The first law term of the year will commence on Monday.

At the Sydney wool sales on Wednesday the rates for both greasy and scoured were well maintained.

On 'Change the demand for investment was better than for some time.

In the Mining market silver ventures commanded the chief business.

Operations in tin shares showed a considerable falling off.

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OROTAVA	5980	Jenks	Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 14
††*OPHIR	6814	Coad	Mar. 20	Mar. 26	Mar. 28
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Postmaster-General's Department, 2nd February, 1907.
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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Equity.—In the Matter of the Companies Act and in the Matter of the AUSTRALASIAN BROWN-FIELDS POTTERIES, Limited.—NOTICE is hereby given that a Petition for the winding up of the abovenamed Company by the Court was on the fifth day of February, 1907, presented by WILLIAM SLATTERY, a Creditor of the said Company. And that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Primary Judge in Equity on the twenty-sixth day of February, 1907, and any creditor of the said Company desirous to oppose the making of an order for the winding up of the said Company under the above Act should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished to any creditor of the Company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charge for the same. COLQUHOUN and BASSETT, Solicitors, City Bank-chambers, 164 Pitt-street, Sydney, Agents for H. F. THOMPSON, Solicitor, Lithgow.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM TANSWELL (Senior), late of Milpose, near Parkes, in the State of New South Wales, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that the First Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twelfth day of March next, at twelve o'clock noon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be passed according to law. Dated this sixth day of February, A.D. 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. A. E. McINTOSH, Proctor, Parkes. By LANE and ROBERTS, 114A Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM THOMAS BASSETT (commonly known as WILLIAM BASSETT), late of Mount Pleasant, Hinton, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—Pursuant to the Wills, Probates, and Administration Act, 1898, Notice is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any claims against or upon the Estate of the abovenamed deceased, who died at Hinton on the fourth day of December, 1906, are hereby required to send in full particulars of their claims against or upon the said Estate to THE PERMANENT TRUSTEE COMPANY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, Limited, Flackstone-chambers, 17 O'Connell-street, Sydney, the Executors and Trustees of the said Estate, to whom Probate was granted by the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Probate Jurisdiction on the tenth day of January, 1907, on or before the twenty-third day of March next, in default whereof the said The Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited, will, after the last-mentioned date, proceed to administer the Estate and distribute the assets among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice; and the said Company will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this sixth day of February, 1907. For THE PERMANENT TRUSTEE COMPANY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, Limited, A. P. BEDFORD, Manager. Mr. LEONARD GIBSON, Equitable-buildings, George-street, Sydney, Proctor.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ISABEL COOKE, late of Trelowarren, near Parkes, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to VYVYAN HENRY COOKE, a Son of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at and all persons having any claim against the Estate are requested to forward particulars thereof within the said fourteen days to the office of the undersigned. Dated this fifth day of February, A.D. 1907. ALFRED ED. McINTOSH, Proctor for Applicant, Welcome-street, Parkes. By his Agents, Messrs. LANE and ROBERTS, 114A Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM WALTERS MILLER, late of Billabong Creek, near Parkes, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration, with the Will annexed, of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ALFRED CHARLES MILLER, of Parkesborough, near Parkes, aforesaid, Labourer, a Son of the said deceased; and all persons having any claim against the said Estate are requested to forward particulars thereof within fourteen days from date hereof to the undersigned, at whose office all notices may be served. Dated this first day of February, A.D. 1907. ALFRED ED. McINTOSH, Proctor for Applicant, Welcome-street, Parkes. By his Agents, Messrs. LANE and ROBERTS, 114A Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of MARY FIELD MILLER, late of Billabong Creek, near Parkes, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ALFRED CHARLES MILLER, the sole Executor in the said Will named; and all persons having any claim against the said Estate are requested to forward particulars thereof within fourteen days from date hereof to the undersigned, at whose office all notices may be served. Dated this fifth day of February, A.D. 1907. ALFRED ED. McINTOSH, Proctor for Applicant, Welcome-street, Parkes. By his Agents, Messrs. LANE and ROBERTS, 114A Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of LOIS JESSEP, late of Bathurst, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ALFRED ERNEST MARTIN, one of the Executors in the said Will named, leave being reserved to EDWIN TREVITT, the other Executor in the said Will named, to come in and prove the same. All accounts against the said deceased must be sent within the said fourteen days to the office of the undersigned, and all Notices herein may be served at the same address. F. B. KENNY, Proctor, Exchange, Church-street, Bathurst. By WESTGARTH, NATHAN, and CO., Martin-place, Sydney.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of WILLIAM DUNBAR, late of Rylstone, in the State of New South Wales, Stone Cutter, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Letters of Administration de bonis non of the Estate and Effects of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ELIZA ELGER, the daughter of the said deceased, and for power to sell the real estate; and all Notices may be served at and all claims against the Estate may be sent to M'COY and M'COY, Proctors for Administratrix, City Mutual-chambers, Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ARTHUR CECIL TIBBEY, late of near Tweed Heads, in the State of New South Wales, Farm Labourer, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to EMMA ROSE TIBBEY, the Mother of the said deceased; and all Creditors in the Estate of the said deceased are hereby required to send in particulars of their claims to the undersigned; and all Notices may be served at the offices of LAURENCE, SON, and MACDONALD, Proctors for the Applicant, Bank-chambers, 122 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of FREDERICK BERG, late of Greta, in the State of New South Wales, Weighman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHRISTINA BERG (in the said Will called CHRISTINA BERGE), the Executrix named in the said Will; and all Notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. R. W. THOMPSON and SON, Proctors, West Maitland. By their agent, G. W. ASH, 99A Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JAMES BENNETT, late of Waratah, in the State of New South Wales, Freeholder, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WALTER JOHN ENRIGHT, of West Maitland, Solicitor, the Executor named in the said Will, and all Notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned, and all creditors, if any, are requested to send particulars of their claims to the undersigned within such fourteen days. BRAYE and COHEN, Proctors for the Executor, Bolton-street, Newcastle. By their Agents, ASHER, OLD, and JONES, 17 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

AUCTION SALES.

NEWMARKET SALEYARDS, ST. MARYS.
SATURDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1907.
492 CHOICE DAIRY AND STORE CATTLE. 492.
WEAVER AND PERRY will sell by auction as above at their Newmarket Saleyards, St. Marys, on SATURDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, at 12 o'clock sharp, 492 Choice Dairy and Store Cattle, viz.:—
Account H. S. THOMPSON, Victoria.
70 Really Choice Dairy Heifers, forward springers, from 1 to 6 weeks off calving.
150 Pure Jersey Heifers, 1 to 3 years old, Lemon Fawns and Silver Greys, extra good quality, from some of the best herds in Victoria.
80 Pure and Grade Ayrshire Heifers, 2 and 3 years old, specially selected, and an extra good lot.
1 Pure Dairy Durham Bull, 2 years old.
1 Pure Jersey Bull.
On Account of Various Owners.
20 Choice Dairy Cows and Heifers, forward springers.
80 Really Choice Dairy Heifers, 3 years old, backward springers.
40 Superior Dairy Heifers, 2 years old.
20 Superior Dairy Heifers, 12 to 18 months old.
80 Steers, 12 to 18 months old.
N.B.—Train leaves Sydney for St. Marys at 10.15 a.m. on day of sale. Competent drovers in attendance. Cattle can be trucked or shipped as desired.

HORSES HORSES. HORSES.
150 HEAD. 150.
MOSS VALE SALEYARDS, MOSS VALE, on MONDAY NEXT, FEBRUARY 11th, 1907, at 11 o'clock sharp.
J. H. BEALE has received instructions from various owners to sell by Auction, viz.,
150 HEAD OF HORSES, comprising Medium and Active Draughts, Useful Tradesman's Sorts, Hackneys, Ponies, Coaches, and Several Match Pairs.
TERMS, CASH.
N.B.—Trains leave Sydney 7.50 and 8.50 night before Sale.

PRODUCE SALES.
SALES BY AUCTION will be held THIS DAY by the Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Co., Ltd., John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Dalgety and Co., Ltd., Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency, Co., Ltd., Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd., Schute, Bell, and Co., Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., as under:—
At the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place: HAIR, HORNS, etc., at 10 a.m.; TALLOW, at 2.30 p.m.

WOOL SALES.
SALES BY AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, THURSDAY, at the SYDNEY WOOL EXCHANGE, BRIDGE-STREET, at 3 p.m., as under:—
Dalgety and Co., Ltd.: 5057 bales.
Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.: 3549 bales.

THIS DAY, AT 3 O'CLOCK.
MIDDLETON and CO. are instructed to sell by auction, at No. 170 George-street West, Very Fine Lot of Useful Furniture, including Sideboard, Chiffonier, Tapestry Suite, several good Dining Tables, M.T. Washstands, Toilet, Crockery, Combination Chests, Dressers, Couches, Kitchen Goods, Handsome Bedsteads, Bedding, Hallstand, Carpet, Lino, etc.
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INGLIS'S BAZAAR, THIS DAY.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 sharp,
Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness; Draught Horses, Tipcarts, Horses, and Harness; and at 11 a.m., Horses and Vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Tel., 1331.

THREE TURNOUTS AND S. AND H. PONY.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Williams Meat Co. (owing to the works being burnt out) to sell by auction, THIS DAY (Thursday), at 11 a.m.,
Brown Gelding, 6 yrs., broken to saddle and harness, very fast, Sulky, and Harness; Bay Draught Gelding, staunch and reliable; Spring Dray and Harness; Bay Mare, Springcart, and Harness; also Mouse-coloured Pony Gelding, 11 hands (Ace of Clubs brand), quiet in saddle and harness; also Saddle and Bridle.

2 S. AND H. HORSES, L. S. SULKY AND HARNESS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
Bay Mare, L. S. Sulky, nearly new, and set of Harness; also Bay Gelding, broken to S. and H.

SUPERIOR GREY MARE, SULKY, AND HARNESS; BAY GELDING, SULKY, AND HARNESS; both horses broken to saddle and harness, quiet to trams.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
The above.

TWO RELIABLE SADDLE AND HARNESS HORSES.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. J. Harrison to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Mare and Brown Gelding, both broken to S. and H., suit sulky or buggy.

STRONG UPSTANDING HARNESS HORSE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Messrs. G. Nicholls and Co. to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Gelding, staunch and good, can pull a ton, suit cab, carriage, or merchant's van.

HIGH-CLASS PACING PONY.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. Patk. Hoy to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Rich Bay Pony, 13.1, black points, a very fast pacer in harness, stands trams or motors.

50 FIRST-CLASS MILCH COWS, IN FULL MILK, WITH YOUNG CALVES AT FOOT, FROM THE BEST DAIRIES IN THE SOUTHERN AND HUNTER DISTRICTS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Saleyards, THIS DAY (Thursday), at 11 a.m., on account of Messrs. McIntosh Bros., D. Beffer, and other owners, the above.

BAY TROTTING STALLION, 3 yrs., took 1st prize as two-year-old, Hawkesbury Show, sire Charmers Son, broken to sad. and har.; also BAY MARE (dam of the above), by Waterloo, from Humming Bird, stinted to Britannic.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. M. Hetherington to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, TO-MORROW (Friday), at 11.30 a.m.,
The above.

ST. MARYS CATTLE SALE,
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16th, 1907.
Our Next Sale at the above Yards will be held on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16th.
Owners who intend favouring us with the sale of their stock for that date will oblige by forwarding particulars at once.
WILLIAM INGLIS AND SON, AUCTIONEERS.

PADDINGTON.
THIS DAY, AT 11 SHARP,
AT 39 OATLEY-ROAD (near Town Hall),
HIGHLY IMPORTANT AND UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE OF SUPERIOR FURNISHINGS AND EFFECTS.
Comprising:—
UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, By Belling. This is a Superior Instrument. Worth Inspection.
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SIDEBOARD, BEV. PLATEGLASS FRONT, Overmantel.
BOOKCASE, SOLID CEDAR; 200 VOLS WORKS.
DINING TABLE and COVER, COUCHES, ARM CHAIRS.
BRASS-MOUNTED DOUBLE and SINGLE BEDSTEADS.
Wire Mattresses, Bed, and Table Linen.
COMBINATION CHESTS DRAWERS, DUCHESSE TOILET WARE.
Three Bedrooms, well furnished throughout.
HALL FURNITURE, HAT RACKS, Umbrella Stand.
SINGER'S SEWING MACHINE, Oscillating, Latest Imp.
Kitchen Furniture, Enclosed Dresser, Crockery, Glassware.
2 PATENT MANGLES, Laundry Furnishings.
Canaries, Pigeons, Aviary, Fernery, Yard Sundries.
2 First-class Verandah Seats, Drapings, Blinds.
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EVERY LINE MUST BE SOLD, WITHOUT SLIGHTEST RESERVE.

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IMPORTANT SALE OF FURNISHINGS.
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VINCENT H. KELSON, AUCTIONEER.
will sell on account various Owners, as above.

To Drapers, Clothiers, Mercers, Country Buyers, Dealers, etc.
FOR PEREMPTORY SALE BY AUCTION, under imperative instructions from Bill of Sale Holder, ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT ANY RESERVE,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 11 prompt, on the Premises, 159 KING-STREET, NEWTOWN,
The Whole of the Stock of a Draper, Clothier, and Mercer (removed to above premises for convenience of Sale), by order of a Financial Institution. Men's and Boys' Shirts, Braces, Collars, Ties, Hdkfs., Gloves, Hosiery, Haberdashery, Millinery, Ribbons, Mercerised and Silk Shirts, Underwear, Harvards, Cashmeres, Sicilians, Dress Tweeds, Calicoes, Sheetings, Quilts, Curtains, Point and Maltese Laces, Towels, Hollands, Forfars, Embroideries, Chiffons, etc.
The Stock is Clean and Fresh in every particular.
M. GOULSTON AND COMPANY will sell at 159 King-street, Newtown, To-morrow, Friday, at 11 o'c. Offices: 7 Kensington-ch., 108 Pitt-st.

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SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 11 A.M. SHARP,
On the Site,
Demolition of Terrace of 3 BRICK HOUSES, together with a 6-ROOMED WEATHER-BOARD COTTAGE, situate
ATHLONE-PLACE, off Ultimo-street, ULTIMO, near Bay-street, including:
25,000 Sandstock Bricks, full size, all spotted.
350 Sheets of beautiful Gal. Iron, 6 to 10 feet.
2,000 feet H. Wood Weather Boards.
2,000 feet Lining Boards, tip-top lot.
2,000 feet Long Lengths of Oregon.
4,000 feet H. Wood Joists, 6 x 3½, 4 x 3½ Rafters.
500 feet Battens, 3 x 1, Window Frames, and Sashes. Panel and Ledge Doors, Water and Gas Piping.
3,000 feet Flooring, 2000ft Studs and Plates.

A. BARNETT has received instructions to sell as above, WITHOUT RESERVE.

WYCOMBE HEIGHTS ESTATE, MOSMAN, on eastern side of Spit-road, with lovely harbour views. NEXT SAT. R. and H.

AUCTION SALES.

TO GROCERS, RESTAURANT PROPRIETORS, DEALERS, AND OTHERS.
THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.
MESSRS. STRONGMAN, WATSON, and HAWKENS will sell by auction, at 133 Regent-street, Redfern, close Mortuary, Mr. W. WALKER'S NEW and SPLENDIDLY ASSORTED STOCK GROCERIES, Fixtures, 2 Counters, 5 New Sets Scales and Weights, Arc Lamp, quantity Gas Fittings, and numerous Sundries. Fittings and Plant will be sold at 2.30 p.m.
NO RESERVE.

A REMARKABLY ATTRACTIVE AUCTION SALE.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 11 A.M.
MODERN ART APPOINTMENTS, and very superior Household Effects.
Estate Hon. Mrs. GERARD VANNECK (Deceased), late of Victoria-street Ashfield.
And on account of various Interests and Estates.
Removed for convenience of Sale to THE BURWOOD SALEROOMS.
For absolute Unreserved Sale under the hammer, and will be particularly interesting to gentry furnishing in City, Suburbs, or Country, and specially to trade buyers of the better class of furnishings.
The Linoleums, Carpets, Curtains, and other Household Requisites are exceptionally good, and should be seen.
THE DINING, DRAWING, and BEDROOM SUITES and APPOINTMENTS ARE ALL RIGHT, and will sell all right.
HANDSOME BRASS-MOUNTED and OTHER BEDSTEADS, and BEST BEDDING, EQUAL NEW.
SOLID WALNUT BOOKCASE and SIDEBOARDS.
SOLID WALNUT and OAK HALL STANDS.
An immense quantity of A1 Household Lots for Furnishing throughout, will take a long day to get through with it, and the Auctioneers desire the trade to be present at 11 a.m. sharp.
STRONGMAN, WATSON, & HAWKINS, AUCTIONEERS, and Agents for Vendors.

AUCTIONEERS' SPECIAL SALE NOTICE.
TO TRADE AND PRIVATE BUYERS of Personal Jewellery, Sterling Silver and Plated Ware, Gladstone Bags, First-class Leather Travelling Bags and Trunks, Baskets and Carryalls in variety, Bric-a-Brac, Music, Toilet Requisites, Mirrors, Rugs, Books, Curios, Pictures, Travelling Clocks, and large quantity of Personal Effects and Sundries.
Valuable Household Linen in quantity, Blankets, Counterpanes, Elder. Quilts, Ladies' Silk and other expensive Dresses, and a very large quantity of Wearing Apparel (Ladies' and Gent.'s), some never used.
The above Goods were intended for Sale TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, but in consequence of the quality and quantity, it has been decided that the above Effects will be sold
ON TUESDAY NEXT (12th), AT 11 A.M., AT THE BURWOOD SALEROOMS, ON ACCOUNT OF THOSE CONCERNED.
STRONGMAN, WATSON, & HAWKINS, FURNITURE and GENERAL AUCTIONEERS.
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UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 2.30 P.M., on the Premises, 88 HUNTER-STREET.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PLANTS, Etc.
Including—Cutlery, Cruets, Spoons, Forks, Crockery, large Copper Urn, Ice Chest, large Cupboard.
LARGE SIZE EUREKA GAS STOVE.
Counter, Window Fittings, 10 Tables, 3 doz. Austrian Chairs, Dressing Chests, Washstands, Toilet Sets, Bedsteads and Bedding, Towels, Linen, Blankets, etc.
MESSRS. H. AND A. LAWSON, AUCTIONEERS, 12 POST OFFICE-CHAMBERS, 114A PITT-STREET. TELEPHONE, 1367.

PETERSHAM.
UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION,
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 11 A.M.
Under Instructions from a LADY, in consequence of relinquishing housekeeping, at her Residence, KEIRA, 29 CROYDON-STREET, PETERSHAM, of the whole of her HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, including:—
GLASS, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATE.
Carpets, Linoleum, Curtains, Rugs, Pictures.
ELEGANT 5ft SIDEBOARD, in WALNUT Finish.
OAK DINING CHAIRS, DINING TABLE.
Comfortable LOUNGE and EASY CHAIRS, in Saddle Bags.
Occasional Chairs, Tables, Brackets, Ornaments.
HANDSOME 4ft BEDROOM SUITE.
Wardrobes, Dressing Chests, Washstands, Toilet Sets, DOUBLE and S. BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEADS, with Bedding, Blankets, Quilts, Sheets, Complete.
KITCHEN DRESSER, Cooking, and Laundry Utensils.
AVIARY AND 10 VALUABLE CANARIES.
MESSRS. H. AND A. LAWSON, AUCTIONEERS, 12 POST OFFICE-CHAMBERS, 114A PITT-STREET. TELEPHONE, 1367.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7th, 1907, at 12 o'clock noon.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising
PIANOS, BEDROOM SUITES, DRAWING-ROOM SUITES, DINING-ROOM SUITES, CUTLER DESK, Combinations, Solid Oak Bedroom Suite, Kitchen Safes, Dressers, Tables, etc. Also, 1 BILLIARD TABLE, with all accessories. Without Reserve.
H. OXENHAM, AUCTIONEER, will sell by Public Auction, at the Rooms, 245 and 247 Pitt-street, near Market-street, the above, THIS DAY, at 12 noon.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, FEB. 7th, 1.30 Sharp.
One 12-14-h.p. 4-cylinder 4-seated MOTOR CAR, just landed ex Star of Scotland. Full particulars from the Auctioneers, where Car can be seen.
H. OXENHAM, AUCTIONEER, 245 and 247 PITT-STREET.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, the Unredeemed JEWELLERY pledged at the Park-st Mont de Piete (J. Ralphs), 8 Park-st, comprising
SINGLE-STONE and HALF-HOOP DIAMOND RINGS.
GOLD and SILVER LEVER and WALTHAM WATCHES.
DIAMOND BROOCHES and BANGLES, EARRINGS.
GOLD ALBERTS, MUFF CHAINS, LINKS, etc.
Engagement, Signet, Keeper, and Wedding Rings.
Gold and Silver Keyless Chronographs, etc.

LAVENDER BAY.
FRIDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
On the Premises, 32 LAVENDER-STREET, between Arthur and Walker streets, facing the Bay.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, comprising Drawing-room Chairs, Tables, etc., Ex. Dining Table, H.B. Chairs, Sideboard, Overmantel, Italian B.M. Bedstead and Bedding, Bedroom Suite, Brussels Square, Linoleum, Jap. Hallstand, Pictures, Water Colours and Oils, Ornaments, Enclosed Dresser, Kitchen and Laundry Utensils, etc., etc.
CLARKE and SOLOMONS, Auctioneers, Walker and Blue streets, North Sydney, have been instructed by the owner to sell as above.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 2 O'CLOCK.
HENRY LEVY will sell by auction, at 351 Cleveland-street.—Clothing, Boots, Crockery, Furniture, Sewing Machines, etc. No reserve.

THIS DAY, at 2.30, No. 10 Elger-st, opp. Bay-st, Glebe. HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
D. AND W. BAINES will sell as above.

AUCTION SALES.

STRATHFIELD-CONCORD.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION,
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 7th FEB.,
AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.
Under Instructions from MRS. M'DONNEL, in consequence of Relinquishing Housekeeping.
THE WHOLE OF THE VALUABLE FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS CONTAINED IN HER RESIDENCE,
INVERARY,
COR. PARRAMATTA AND CONCORD ROADS (eight minutes' walk from the Strathfield Railway station).
MAGNIFICENT WALNUT AND OAK FURNITURE, MANUFACTURED IN ENGLAND BY Messrs. W. WALKER AND SONS, BUNHILL-ROW, LONDON.
LIBRARY FURNITURE,
DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE, and COSTLY APPOINTMENTS.
SUPERB BOUDOIR GRAND PIANOFORTE, IN ROSEWOOD CASE, BY THE WORLD-RENOWNED MAKERS, JOHN BRINSMEAD and SONS.
This valuable instrument is in excellent order, and should command the attention of musicians and ladies and gentlemen requiring a high-grade instrument.
ETC., ETC.,
AS PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED.
DESCRIPTIVE BOOK CATALOGUES may be obtained at the Residence.
ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, FINE ART AND GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.
TELEPHONE, 2056.

FORBES-STREET, CITY.
UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.
AT THE RESIDENCE, No. 176 FORBES-STREET (off William-street),
Under instructions from GREGORY S. CHAPMAN, Esq., in consequence of relinquishing housekeeping.
THE WHOLE OF THE FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS, including CARPETS AND LINOLEUM, DINING-ROOM FURNISHINGS, Solid Cedar Bookcase, Walnut Overmantels, Pictures and Ornaments, Occasional Tables and Chairs.
CHIPPENDALE DRAWING-ROOM CABINET.
THE FURNISHINGS AND APPOINTMENTS of SIX BEDROOMS, including
LARGE SIX-FEET WALNUT WARDROBE.
PAIR WALNUT FOUR-FEET TOILETS.
HAND-PAINTED TOILET SERVICES.
SEVERAL BEDSTEADS AND BEDDING.
KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY REQUISITES. Etc, Etc, Etc.
ON VIEW TO-MORROW MORNING PRIOR TO SALE.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, FURNITURE AND GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, near King-street.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, AT 11 A.M.
AT THE AUCTION SALEROOMS OF JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, 128-130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.
THAT WELL-KNOWN CONFECTIONERY AND WINE BUSINESS, and TEA ROOMS, STOCK-IN-TRADE, FITTINGS, Etc., AS NOW CARRIED ON AT NO. 94 MARKET-STREET (CITY).
TO BE SOLD AS A GOING CONCERN.

IN A DECEASED ESTATE.
BY ORDER OF THE PERPETUAL TRUSTEE CO., Ltd., and ON ACCOUNT OF OTHER INTERESTS.
EXTENSIVE SALE BY AUCTION TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M. AT THE AUCTION SALEROOMS AND MART of JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, 128, 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.
SUPERIOR FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS, including
COMPLETE TABLE APPOINTMENTS, Glass, China, Cutlery, and Electroplate.
BEST QUALITY CARPETS. Royal Axminster and Brussels.
SOLID WALNUT DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, including
HANDSOME FIVE-FEET SIDEBOARD, TELESCOPE DINING TABLES.
SEVERAL MODERN-DESIGNED SIDEBOARDS, LEATHER SUITE OF NINE PIECES, EXTRA WIDE COUCH OR LOUNGE, Upholstered in Dark Green Pantasote.
CARD AND OCCASIONAL TABLES, LADY'S CHIPPENDALE WRITING TABLES, Occasional Chairs, Palm Stands, Choice Pictures and Ornaments.
VALUABLE PIANOFORTE, UPRIGHT MODEL, BY EMIL ASCHERBERG.
TWO DRAWING-ROOM GRAND PIANOFORTES (Broadwood and Erard).
SEVERAL HANDSOME BEDROOM SUITES, in Solid Walnut, Ash and Walnut, and Chippendale. DOUBLE AND SINGLE BEDSTEADS AND BEDDING and GENERAL BEDROOM FURNISHINGS.
Two Typewriters, Cyclostyle, Letter Copying Presses. OFFICE FURNITURE.
HANNAM'S COPPER BATH-HEATER, RANSOME'S LAWNMOWER, WITH ROLLER. GARDEN ROLLER.
12,000 ASSORTED IVORY PHOTO CARDS, Etc., Etc.
NOW ON VIEW.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, FINE ART AND FURNITURE AUCTIONEERS, 128, 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.
TELEPHONE 2056.

THIS DAY, FEBRUARY 7th, at 11 a.m.
UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.
A. G. JENKINS will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 274 Pitt-street, the Unredeemed Pledges pawned with Mr. M. Franks, at his Office, 30 Botany-road, Alexandria, consisting of
MEN'S and WOMEN'S WEARING APPAREL.

WYCOMBE HEIGHTS ESTATE, MOSMAN, NEXT SATURDAY. RAINE and HORNE.

AUCTION SALE OF SURPLUS BUILDING MATERIALS.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 7th INST.,
AT 11 O'CLOCK, ON THE PREMISES OF MESSRS. WUNDERLICH PATENT CEILING AND ROOFING CO., CLEVELAND-STREET (NEAR CROWN-STREET).
JAMES COWAN
has received instructions to sell a General Assortment of Old Building Materials Second-hand Roofing Tiles, Terracotta Ware, Finials, Ridging and Chimney Pots, and Sundries.
NO RESERVE.

AUCTION SALES.

FERNHILL AND WARDELL-ROAD STATIONS,
NEAR DULWICH HILL.
SUBDIVISION SALE OF THAT DELIGHTFULLY-SITUATED PROPERTY, FORMERLY THE RESIDENCE OF THE LATE WM. STARKEY, Esq.
GLADSTONE HALL ESTATE,
AN IDEAL POSITION, THE PICK OF THE DISTRICT.
AUCTION SALE ON THE GROUND, 3 O'CLOCK.
NEXT SATURDAY.
45 ALLOTMENTS GOOD LAND.
RIVER FRONTAGES. HIGH LAND. GREAT DEPTHS, UP TO 388ft.
Also, LOT 25, Area 1 Acre 1 Rood 30½ Perches. Commodious Stone VILLA RESIDENCE, splendid order, contg. wide verandahs, 8 large rooms, 5 smaller rooms, and kit., all conveniences, garden and shrubbery.
LOT 26, Area 3r. 11½p. Comfortable Stone COTTAGE, 4 rooms, kitchen, and outoffices.
LOT 29, 80ft x 157ft. Stone COTTAGE, slate roof, 2 rooms, stone stable (5 stalls), loft, buggy-shed, wash-house, harness-room.
LOT 32, 66ft x 145ft. Stone COTTAGE, slate roof, 2 rooms, kit., etc.
EASY TERMS. TORRENS TITLE.
PLANS from THE INTERCOLONIAL INVESTMENT CO., Ltd., 14 Moore-street.
RICHARDSON AND WRENCH, LTD., AUCTIONEERS, 98 PITT-STREET.

BANKSTOWN FARMLETS.

FRIDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, at the CITY MART, 8 SPRING-STREET, AT 11.30 A.M.
THE STEAM LAUNCH SWAN.
Length, 28ft; Breadth, 6ft; Depth, 3ft 6in; Speed, 6 knots.
2 Cylinders, Copper Tube Boiler, in working order.
Can be inspected at Holmes' Boat Shed, M'Mahon's Point.
Suitable for Harbour or River Trade.
ALSO, BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE, The well-known Steamer, "OUR QUEEN,"
24 HORSE-POWER.
Length, 59 feet 9 inches. Breadth, 12 feet 2 inches. Depth, 6 feet 6 inches.
Now lying at China Steam Navigation Company's Wharf, Western Side of Circular Quay, where buyers can inspect.
FRASER, UTHER, AND CO., LTD., will sell by auction the above.

FRIDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, AT NO. 5 COWPER WHARF, WOOLLOOMOOLOO BAY, NEAR DOMAIN. AT 3 P.M.
ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.
WITH ALL FAULTS,
EX S.S. AIRLIE.
IN BOND.
BP IN DIAMOND, SQ OUTSIDE.
213 BAGS RICE.
GREEN CLOTH.
167 BUNDLES EXTRA LARGE SQUEAKY RATTANS, White Cloth.
136 BUNDLES EXTRA LARGE MACKEREL RATTANS.
P 2030 IN DIAMOND, CS OUTSIDE.
46 BUNDLES RATTANS.
FRASER, UTHER, AND CO., LTD., have received instructions to sell by auction the above.

TUESDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, AT THE CITY MART, 8 SPRING-STREET, AT 11 A.M.
Under Instructions from JOHN J. MULLIGAN, Esq., Solicitor for the Vendor.
THE STEAMSHIP "KIA-ORA,"
Length, 91 feet. Breadth, 21 feet. Depth, 9 feet. 72 Tons Register.
ENGINES AND BOILER BY CHAPMAN and CO.
2 Compound Surface Condensing Engines, 1 Steel Boiler.
2 Cylinders, 12in and 24in Diameter, 16in Stroke.
Orders for inspection can be obtained at our Rooms.
FRASER, UTHER, AND CO., LTD. have received instructions to sell by auction the above.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1907, AT THE CITY MART, 8 SPRING-STREET, AT 12 NOON SHARP.
Under Instructions from the Importers, Messrs. THOMPSON, FRASER, RAMSAY, Prop., Ltd.
802 PACKAGES, CEYLON AND INDIAN TEAS.
FRASER, UTHER, AND CO., LTD. will sell by auction the above.

PADDINGTON,
TO-MORROW, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION at IVER, OATLEY-ROAD, opposite Town Hall,
under instructions from Mrs. TINSLEY, who is relinquishing Housekeeping,
the Whole of the MODERN FURNITURE and ELEGANT APPOINTMENTS, including
GLASSWARE, ELECTROPLATE, FINE CHINA, CURTAINS, PICTURES, OVERMANTELS, WHATNOTS, ELEGANT ORNAMENTS, ART SIDEBOARDS, AUST. Chairs, Dining Tables, Linoleums, SILK TAPESTRY, DRAWING-ROOM SUITE (Queen Anne Design), ENGLISH BEDSTEADS and Best Bedding, BEDROOM FURNISHINGS, ICE-CHEST, ROLLER MANGLE, SINGER AND WERTHEIM SEWING MACHINES, LINEN PRESS, KIT. REQUISITES, etc.
SYDNEY DAVIS AND CO., AUCTIONEERS, 8 Post Office-chambers. Tel., 2157.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, AT 11 A.M. On the Premises,
140 CASTLEREAGH-STREET, CITY.
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.
SOLID WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE, 5 pieces.
WALNUT DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, 7 pieces.
BRASS-MOUNTED ITALIAN BEDSTEADS, Bedding.
WALNUT FINISHED SIDEBOARD, COMBINATION CHESTS.
DUCHESSE PAIRS, NEW AUSTRIAN CHAIRS.
10 Tables, E.P. Ware, Crockery, Cutlery, China.
QUANTITY OF NEARLY NEW LINOLEUM.
Cooking and Household Utensils.
Also:
THE FIXTURES AND FITTINGS OF A FIRST-CLASS CITY HAIRDRESSER'S AND TOBACCONIST, comprising:
MASSIVE PANELLED CEDAR COUNTER, Show Case, COUNTER CASE, WALL CASES, PARTITIONS, MARBLE SHAMPOO BASIN, fitted with Hot Water Apparatus, Tobacco Cutter, Etc., Etc.
TWO NEW ICE CHESTS.
BARNARD AND CO. will sell as above, POSITIVELY WITHOUT RESERVE.
Offices: 140 Castlereagh-street. 'Phone, 2772.

MOSMAN.—WYCOMBE HEIGHTS ESTATE, at junction of Old and New Spit roads. Torrens Title. NEXT SAT. R. and H.

ORDER OF SALE.
CITY, SUBURBAN, AND COUNTRY FREEHOLD PROPERTIES to be offered FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION, in the Rooms, 86 Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m.
TO-DAY, THURSDAY,
WOOLLAHRA.—That delightfully situated BUNGALOW COTTAGE RESIDENCE, LLANDUDNO, on the OLD SOUTH HEAD-ROAD, with about 2 acre of ground. Freehold Title.
NORTH SYDNEY.—No. 102 ALFRED-STREET, Attractive Detached Brick Cottage. Torrens Title.
DARLINGHURST.—Two-story Residence, No. 2a FORBES-STREET. Executors' Sale.
WAVERLEY.—Two-story Detached House, No. 11 CARRINGTON-ROAD. Executors' Sale. TORRENS TITLE.
MERRYLANDS.—In LOCKWOOD-STREET, on Campbell's Hill. Detached Dwelling, with stabling. Torrens.
EPPING.—Choice Building Allotment in OXFORD-STREET, near the station, 66ft x 132ft. Torrens.
RAINE AND HORNE, AUCTIONEERS.

ORDER OF SALE.
CITY AND SUBURBAN PROPERTIES to be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m., TO-MORROW (FRIDAY).
CITY.—BLOCK OF LAND, Bathurst-street, near Sussex-street, occupied by the Waygood Elevator Co.
CITY.—The SOUTHERN CROSS HOTEL, Devonshire and Elizabeth streets, near New Station. Executors' Sale.
HYDE PARK.—HOUSE, No. 6 Francis-street, near College-street. Executors' Sale.
SURRY HILLS.—TWO HOUSES, Nos. 675 and 677 Bourke-street, between Arthur and Reservoir streets. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—HOUSE, No. 36 Belmore-street, between Albion and Foveaux streets.
WOOLLOOMOOLOO.—HOUSE, No. 177 Palmer-street, near Stanley-street. Executors' Sale.
NORTH SYDNEY.—RESIDENCE, Berowra, Carabella and Bligh streets.
DITTO.—INTEREST IN LEASE of Corner Premises, Miller and Mount streets. Executors' Sale.
DITTO.—THREE HOUSES, Nos. 345 to 349 Miller-street, close to Rosalind-street. Executors' Sale.
NEUTRAL BAY.—DWELLING, No. 105 Ben Boyd road. Leasehold.
VAUCLUSE.—Superior Water-frontage RESIDENCE on 1ac. 3r., "Point Stephens," Parsley and Watson's Bays and The Crescent.
DULWICH HILL.—DWELLING, No. 324 Denison-road, near Constitution-road.
DULWICH HILL.—COTTAGE, "Roma," David-street, off Robert-street.
STRATHFIELD.—RESIDENCE, "Hughenden," and one acre, Albert-road. Mortgagees' Sale.
LEICHHARDT.—COTTAGE, "Bowra," Percival-street, between Piper and Brennan streets. Mortgagees' Sale.
CHATSWOOD.—BLOCK OF LAND, Hercules and Anthony streets, on account and risk former purchasers.
KILLARA.—CORNER BLOCK LAND, 2 ac, Rosebery and Stanhope roads.
BOTANY.—THREE W.B. COTTAGES, Underwood-st, off Bay-street. Executors' Sale.
DITTO.—W.B. COTTAGE, Botany-road, south of Hastings-road. Executors' Sale.
ARNCLIFFE.—ALLOTMENT, Forest-road, Mount Arncliffe Estate.
CARLTON.—ALLOTMENTS, Station-street, Carlton Township.
MOOREFIELDS.—BLOCK, 7ac. 1r. 20½p., Moorefields road and Rogers-street.
CANTERBURY.—ALLOTMENT, George-street, near Town Hall.
BELMORE.—BRICK CHURCH BUILDING and 2 acres, St. Albans-road, off Sharp-street.
GRANVILLE.—ALLOTMENT, Clyde and Nobbs streets.
PITTWATER.—TOWNSHIP ALLOTMENTS.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

WENTWORTH FALLS, MOUNTAINS.
A CHARMING MOUNTAIN HOME.
FOR AUCTION SALE on FRIDAY NEXT, 8th FEBRUARY, AT 2.30 O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON (not 12 o'clock noon, as previously advertised), at THE AUCTION ROOMS OF JAMES R. LAWSON and LITTLE, 128-130 PITT-ST., NEAR KING-ST.
ROTORUA.
A FAITHFULLY-BUILT RESIDENCE of Rusticated Weatherboards on Brick and Stone Foundation, Eleven Rooms, Hall, Bathroom, Kitchen, and Laundry; standing in Grounds of One Acre. Laid out in Flower Garden, Fruit and Vegetable Garden, 230ft. Frontage to PRITCHARD-STREET, off the Main Road at the highest point; A FINE SITUATION, TEN MINUTES' WALK FROM THE RAILWAY STATION. In the Grounds are Well-built Bush and Fern House, Stable with two Looseboxes and Man's Room, Cowshed, etc.
THE HOUSE IS WELL FURNISHED THROUGHOUT. FURNITURE CAN BE PURCHASED AT VALUATION, or THE RESIDENCE AND FURNITURE will be offered in One Lot or Separately, as may be desired by purchasers.
ROTORUA has been most successfully conducted by the Owner, Mrs. TYRER, as a SELECT MOUNTAIN BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT for about Five Years. MRS. TYRER IS DISPOSING OF THE PROPERTY in consequence of her departure for New Zealand.
CARDS TO VIEW and Full Particulars from the Auctioneers.
JAMES R. LAWSON and LITTLE, AUCTIONEERS, 128-130 PITT-ST., NEAR KING-ST., have been favoured with instructions from MRS. TYRER to Sell at their Rooms as above.

CHATSWOOD. BEAUTIFUL CHATSWOOD.
TO RESIDENTS OF CHATSWOOD AND DISTRICT.
A. BARNETT, AUCTIONEER, 278 Glebe-road, Glebe Point, has received instructions from Messrs. Johnson Bros., Timber Merchants and Builders, to sell BY PUBLIC AUCTION, NEXT SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AT 2.30, on the Site,
That Charming VILLA SITE, or BUILDER'S BLOCK of LAND, having a frontage of 178ft to Gordon-road, by a depth of 160ft to O'Brien-street, at the intersection of Gordon-road and Railway-street, Chatswood.
Gentry and others in search of an ideal site, with splendid elevation, magnificent views, and located amidst palatial residences, should inspect the above site, 5 min. from station.
Terms and conditions at Sale.

WYCOMBE HEIGHTS ESTATE, MOSMAN, on eastern side of Spit-road, with lovely harbour views. NEXT SAT. R. and H.

VALUES WILL IMPROVE at FERNHILL.—45 Sites and Stone Cottage, NEXT SAT. R. and W., Ltd.

ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

THE COMPETITORS.

NORTH COAST DIVISION.

THIRD PRIZE FARM.

Duninald, Mr. Sydney Reynolds's delightful property of 2000 acres, placed third by the judges in the North Coast Division of the "Herald" and "Mail" farm competitions, is typical of all that is best on the Paterson. It has a long frontage to the beautiful willow-girt river, its alluvial flats are deep and inexhaustibly rich, and its back country is sound and healthy. The name of Reynolds has long been famous in the annals of New South Wales stock-breeding. It is as full of significance to the admirer of purebred cattle of the highest quality as it is to all followers of the turf. Until a few years ago Tocal was run in partnership by the brothers Sydney and Frank, who carried on the old place after its founder, the late Charles Reynolds, who entered into possession nearly 70 years ago. When the brothers divided the property Mr. Sydney Reynolds moved across the river to Duninald, and since then the two places have been in active, though friendly, rivalry. The stranger to Duninald soon discovers that he has hit upon a rare home of thoroughbred stock, and that the owner of the place is entitled to be regarded as something of an Australian Collings. Mr. Reynolds has an instinctive love of high-bred animals, and he has gratified it by getting his place stocked right up with them. His choice little stud of thoroughbreds contains some of the most aristocratic mares in Australia, and recently mated with these is the imported Prudent King, a grandson of St. Simon, and a young horse showing great quality and substance. Before he left England Prudent King ran successfully in the most fashionable company, and he thus proved himself a racehorse, so that he has every prospect of making a big mark in Australian sport.

THE HOME OF GOOD CATTLE.

The ownership of even the best of English strains of gallopers does not stamp a man as a model farmer; but the racehorses, although in themselves of such quality, are by no means paramount on Duninald. Mr. Reynolds is, perhaps, keener on his imported bulls than on his imported horses, and when one follows him into stall after stall of his champion Herefords, young and old, it is easy to understand his enthusiasm. The great beef cattle are here seen at their top. Bred along the best lines they receive the most careful of treatment from their birth, and in consequence reach remarkable weights at an early age. The calves are caught and stall-fed immediately on weaning, even though they are subsequently turned out, and so accustomed to handling. Two of the bulls are Sir Rupert, who was reserve champion at Sydney last year, and the year before, and Lord Horace, imported, and the property contains many promising young sires. Tocal and Duninald fight out the Royal championships, and recently the honours have gone across the river; but with some of the young stock Mr. Sydney Reynolds hopes to retrieve his position. In the paddocks there are about 150 pure Hereford females, so that sales of studs are on an extensive scale. Devons follow next in importance to the Herefords on Duninald, and the herd of pure ones is very choice, the compact beef cattle doing excellently on the paddocks back from the river flats. For country that necessitates travelling for feed the Devon takes a lot of beating, as for its weight it is one of the most active of breeds. Mr. Reynolds thought so much of the Devons for general purposes that when a few years ago he resolved to enter into dairying he chanced an experiment of considerable magnitude. He crossed the Devon bulls with Jersey cows and Jersey grades, and his dairy is now stocked with the progeny. About 60 cows are going through the bails, and they are a remarkably even lot of soft, low, thick-set cattle, which give a good performance on the bucket and the cream cheque. No other cross that I have seen with the Jersey throws so few bad colours as this; and there is little doubt that by careful selection the Devons could be got up to a fair dairy standard. Of course it is hard to say how much lift they have had here from the Jerseys. Mr. Reynolds is very keen on his herd. His problem will be in keeping the balance between the two breeds, as he is opposed to using the Jersey bulls, and with the constant use of the Devons he will quickly return to the pure-bred strain. His course will probably be the use of a bull of a milking breed other than the little Channel butter-makers.

ABOUT THE FARM.

So much for the cattle. In the pigsties there is the same evidence of the appreciation for good stuff. The Berkshires are from picked studs, and are well housed and cared for. Recently Mr. Reynolds has initiated a small stud of Shropshires, and he hopes to extend his operations in this direction. Years ago Duninald boasted a flock of longwools, and they are reported to have done well on the country. Even the poultry on the place contains some select imported birds. The principle right through is to keep the best that means can obtain. Such a policy is, of course, expensive to imitate, but once the basis is secured the profits are large. Well-bred evenly-proportioned animals do better on a given quality of feed than misshapen mongrels, and farming with blood about one is a thousand times more attractive than working amongst coots. On Duninald the temptation must be to stand about all day and discuss pedigrees and points, the promise of youngsters, and the performances of champions that have gone, rather than turn to and work.

But Duninald is run on approved lines, and there is a heap of work for all hands. Where the stock is so valuable supplies cannot be left to chance even on the prolific borders of the Paterson. Every season large quantities of feed are grown on the river flats, where there is a considerable area devoted to lucerne, maize, oats, and other crops. Large sheds are filled with hay, and even this year there is an abundance of the best of rations for all of the stock. The cultivation, like the rest of the place, was in good order when inspected by the judges, and showed that Mr. Reynolds has not been so deeply absorbed in his stock as to overlook the value of efficient working and crop cleaning. Fences throughout are sound, chiefly of post and rail, and the steading, including the dairy and milking accommodation, is excellent. Water is pumped by a windmill and laid on to the house and outbuildings. Recently an orchard of a few acres of Washington Navels has been planted close to the river, and the trees appear to be doing well. The roomy house is in keeping with a property of this size, and taken all round Duninald is an ideal farm of the larger type, with a stockbreeder of the best kind in possession.

DOGS AND COASTAL SHEEP.

Farmers who are introducing British sheep and crossbreds to the coastal country are having a very hot time with dogs. Until a man turns a couple of hundred woollies into a paddock in a district not accustomed to sheep he has no idea of the numbers of diversified mongrels a few square miles of country can contain. In the older sheep districts people long ago recognised that it did not pay to keep a dog that had no usefulness, and which might any night make them liable for heavy damages for worried sheep. Towards the coast, however, there has been no restriction except the tax, which is too easily evaded, and the result is disastrous to the would-be sheep-farmer. The dogs which have been bred with sheep about them seldom become worriers. As pups they will chase them just as they will chase almost anything in motion; but a few beltings usually cure them of the habit for all time. But when dogs reach maturity without seeing sheep they take to them very readily, and are not easily checked. In fact, once an aged dog worries he is seldom if ever to be trusted.

Those who take sheep to a district for the first time or after a long lapse should at once initiate a vigorous policy of poison, shooting, and prosecution. Owners of mongrels must be given to understand that any loss caused will be theirs, and not the sheep-owners. They must learn that the possession of useless curs carries with it a heavy risk. The cruelty of the sheep-worriers is as pronounced as that of the crow which takes the eyes from the disabled ewe. Sheep after sheep will be run to a standstill, bitten and torn about the head and throat, and under the fore-arm, and left to die slowly. One dog will thus mutilate six or a dozen sheep in a very short space of time, and if the animals chance to be studs, the loss to the farmer is very heavy. Fortunately, most dogs take poison easily, and can be wiped out with strychnine baits; but a clean sweep is seldom made, and after a sheepowner has found the bodies of half a dozen curs about his paddocks, and is congratulating himself upon his immunity, he will discover another lot of sheep worried. Nothing is more effective than a few pounds spent on a rigorous prosecution. Some dogs don't realise the enormity of their offence and are easily caught, but others that bolt must be, if possible, chased on a horse to their homes. In all cases the farmer should press for full damages and the destruction of the dog, even if he does not prosecute. A well-advertised police court case, however, has the effect of scaring numbers of owners into the destruction of their dogs, and so the sheepman gets compensation for his trouble. If he is to make profit out of his flock it must be warfare from the jump.

ITEMS.

"J. J." is informed that the first prize farm in the North Coast competition was described in these columns on Thursday, January 10.

Some of the older countries, and particularly those inhabited by the coloured races, move very slowly in methods of agriculture. A recent photograph showed a small farmer of Morocco working a small plough pulled by his wife and an ass. (A chance there for the woman suffragist!) In Liberia there has been no change in system for many centuries. The plough is seldom if ever used; the hoe is the chief tool for tilling, and the knife for reaping.

Sir Harry Rawson, speaking at Berry last Thursday, put his finger on to a weak spot in our agricultural progress when he commented on the lack of attention to maize growing. Certainly, maize has made nothing like the relative progress in New South Wales recently that has been made by wheat and other branches of farming. Much of this advancement in other directions has been due to the superior profits offering, but much also is due to the fact that men on the coast who hold the maize country are very conservative in the adoption of fresh methods. They have jumped ahead in dairying because the rewards were so obvious, but they have moved very slowly in cultivation, and so maize, like most other Coast crops, has been comparatively neglected.

Perhaps the Agricultural Department could do more than it does towards the stimulation of interest in maize. Some of the farms have at times conducted various experiments, but so far no one has undertaken the work in a whole-hearted way. There is a chance here for one of the younger experts to specialise and create a good position for himself. In the United States a great quantity of sweet maize is grown for table consumption, and within the past couple of years a quantity of the seed has been introduced to Victoria, and a number of farmers are now giving it a trial. Opportunities for valuable experimental and demonstrative work are numerous, and advice could at once be given on the selection and preservation of the seed, cultivating, fertilising, and planting, as well as in the great field of determining as far as possible the best varieties to grow.

The report of the British Royal Commission on the relation of bovine and human tuberculosis, based as it is on exhaustive practical tests, should have the effect of silencing those who urge that the two forms of the disease are not communicable. Dr. Koch is by no means alone in affirming that the bovine tuberculosis is not transmissible to man; his contention has had the support of many very eminent scientists. For years, however, the weight of advanced opinion has been the other way, and hence the legislation to prohibit the consumption of infected animals. The commission having satisfied itself of the danger may well urge greater precautions against milk from diseased cows, and the authorities here should also take the matter in hand. Our methods of supervision are extremely lax and irregular in dealing with dairies and dairy herds. What one officer will pass another will condemn, and vice versa. The whole system wants revising and placing upon a sound, uniform basis.

The chief war against bovine tuberculosis, and particularly tuberculosis in dairy herds, should be carried on by the dairyman himself. Only the very shortsighted or the extremely penurious owner of cattle will keep in his yards a cow which he knows to be affected with the disease. But the trouble is that until it reaches an acute stage it is very difficult and often impossible of detection on outward appearances. The tuberculin tester has to be applied, and so far this little instrument, so simple in its operations and so wonderful in its results, is seldom found among our dairymen. But like the Babcock it is one of the essentials of the industry, and in a few years it will doubtless be found on every up-to-date establishment. It is very hard on a man to destroy a valuable cow which looks a picture of health, but it is harder on another fellow to purchase her as a sound beast, and to keep her in a healthy herd is suicidal. The health authorities should lead the way in more rigorous precautions, and farmers would be then prompted to take action themselves. There is no doubt that by the general use of the tester the disease, if not eradicated, could be reduced to a minimum.

In most up-to-date dairies in New South Wales one now finds a band dish or basin, with soap and towel, for use at intervals by the milkers. Some dairymen insist on the udders and teats of the cows being washed or brushed before milking begins, but unless there is a lot of dirt about the operation is too often a very perfunctory one. The object of everyone about the yard is to get through as soon as possible, and the rush always works against a high degree of cleanliness. Buckets, which guard against falling hairs and dirt, have been on the market for some time, but are not yet in general use. One of the most improved buckets used in sanitary American dairies is the covered pail, having a layer of absorbent cotton between two layers of fine wire gauze, through which the milk must pass before it enters the pail. Others have the top largely covered, leaving a circular opening for the milk to pass through an inserted strainer. The trouble with such buckets as these is in washing, and if they are not kept scrupulously clean they are worse than the old-style pail. Without going to extremes, and losing time, the cleanly milker can, with a little care, keep an ordinary bucket free of dirt.

At the last meeting of the council of the New South Wales Wine Association, held on the 5th instant, two names were agreed upon for submission to the Royal Agricultural Society in connection with the appointment of a judge in the wine section at the forthcoming Easter show. It has been customary in the past for three judges to be appointed, but in view of the success in other States of single judging the association is in favour of making a change this year.

JERSEY CATTLE.

MEETING OF THE SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Australasian Jersey Herd Society was held at Messrs. Pottie and Sons' offices, 201 Castlereagh-street, Sydney, yesterday morning, Mr. Thos. Morse in the chair.

It was decided, after discussion, that when requested by the society any entry, if required, bear the endorsement of the breeder as a guarantee of reliability of such entry for the herd book.

On the application of numerous breeders of Jersey cattle, the time of entry in the herd book was extended until the end of March next.

Various matters in the interest of Jersey cattle were discussed, and congratulations expressed at the strong support the herd book was receiving. In fact, it was evident that all the leading studs would be strongly represented, which should make the book useful to breeders throughout the States when introducing new, reliable blood in their herds.

Mr. Herbert Pottie, the hon. secretary, specially requests those breeders and owners of Jersey cattle who have not already entered to at once apply for entry forms.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN HARVEST.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The "Register's" estimate of the wheat harvest shows that 2,130,000 acres have been sown. Allowing 300,000 acres to be cut for hay, this leaves 1,830,000 acres reaped for wheat, which, at 11¼ bushels, gives a total of 20,475,000 bushels. This is the second largest crop on record, comparing with 21,045,000 bushels in 1905-6. Had it not been for a couple of hot days in October, the crop would have been larger. The shipping surplus is 16,990,265 bushels, and the value at ruling market rates comes not far short of 2½ millions sterling.

RETURNED EMPTIES.

"A Grower" writes:—I used to pride myself in sending to market nothing but well-graded fruit of best quality so that I might get the credit for fair dealing with buyers, but owing to the laxity which exists in regard to "returned empties" I have had many discouragements. I am in a district where there is not one fumigating outfit or spray-pump besides my own, but where there are two local weekly markets for the sale of dribs and drabs of fruit, a good deal of which is bought up, repacked, and sent to Sydney. I once found some of my branded cases being pressed into this service—cases which had cost me 1s or 1s 3d, but which had been bought up by a local jobber from a local storekeeper at, I was told, 2d. Inquiry showed me that a truck-load of "empties" had been carried by the Railway Department 331 miles to the local storekeeper, who probably never grew one case of fruit in his life, but who does an excellent business as a draper, grocer, baker, etc. A trader can register his brand on a pound of tea or a tin of pepper, or a soda-water bottle, but the man "on the land," about whom on public platforms there is so much solicitude, is not deemed worthy of that privilege of ordinary citizenship. He is always "left" very badly, and by no one worse than the Agricultural Department, established nearly 20 years ago for his benefit, which has made one feint at passing a fruit-case bill. It appears very uncertain that in the next quarter of a century it will be able to make a real effort.

PORK FOR EXPORT.

The Agent-General, Mr. T. A. Coghlan, has reported to the Minister for Mines and Agriculture that it is very necessary special attention should be given to the preparation of pork for export. He says if once a man is prosecuted and convicted in Great Britain for selling diseased pork from the colonies it will be a matter of great difficulty to find any future sales for it in Great Britain.

The Agent-General states that in December last a carcase of pork imported by a colonial house in London was seized at Smithfield Market by the corporation sanitary authorities, and condemned as diseased. The disease was pleurisy, and the pleura of the pig had been removed before shipment. Whenever this is done the carcase is always seized and condemned by the authorities. There was no information forthcoming as to the State of origin, as there was no label upon the carcase showing inspection had taken place, and the cloth had been taken off the carcase, and the mark was lost. The carcase was of poor quality. The penalties for exposing for sale diseased meat are very severe, ranging from heavy fines to imprisonment with hard labour, and this punishment would fall on the importer in the case of oversea meat should a prosecution and conviction take place. The Agent-General therefore wishes to accentuate the very great necessity there is for every care being taken when shipping pork, so that no doubtful carcase be despatched.

LAND SELECTED.

The following statement shows the land selected under the Crown Lands Acts during the periods stated:—

ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.

	From Jan. 1-20, 1907. Applicants.	Area. Acres.	In week ended Jan. 20. Applicants.	Area. Acres.
Conditional purchase leases	15	8,352	11	6,572
Original conditional purchases	97	11,813	31	3,747
Conditional leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of the original C.Ps.	82	18,549	16	6,917
Original homestead selections	17	4,414	7	2,358
Original settlement leases	9	48,413	2	3,946
Settlement purchases	10	4,851	4	2,396
Totals	148	91,392	55	25,936
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional conditional purchases (of Crown lands)	83	12,272	39	2,886
Additional conditional leases	88	25,750	23	6,429
Additional homestead selections	9	2,214	1	590
Additional settlement leases	5	6,689	1	137
Totals	185	46,925	44	10,142

In addition to the area made available prior to January 1, 1907, the following area has been set apart:—

ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.

	No. of Holdings.	Area. Acres.	No. of Holdings.	Area. Acres.
Conditional purchase leases	13	7,910	11	6,672
Original conditional purchases	31	870	13	572
Original conditional purchases and con. leases in virtue thereof	24	28,656	6	6,090
Original homestead selections	31	2,931	7	636
Original settlement leases	8	35,074	2	3,945
Settlement purchases	—	—	—	—
Totals	107	75,461	30	18,515
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
For all forms of additional holdings	1	161	—	—
Additional conditional purchase	3	188	—	—
Additional conditional purchases or conditional leases	50	103,918	6	1,280
Additional homestead selections	6	1,016	1	590
Additional settlement leases	5	7,641	—	—
Additional C.Ps. and H.Ss.	6	1,178	2	180
Totals	71	114,102	9	2,050

Conflicting applications were lodged for the following areas:—Dubbo Land District: 50 applicants for C.P.L., area No. 46 (2809 acres in 6 blocks); 32 applicants for C.P.L. area No. 45 (2763 acres in 5 blocks); 12 applicants for S.L. area No. 847 (3946 acres in 2 farms); 16 applicants for H.S. area No. 1004 (459 acres in 2 blocks). Gunnedah Land District: 6 applicants for Sp. area No. 41,169 (66 acres in 4 blocks). Casino Land District: 2 applicants for 1280 acres (O.C.P. and C.L. in virtue thereof). Wellington Land District: 4 applicants for 800 acres (O.C.P. and C.L. in virtue thereof).

DAIRYING IN OTHER LANDS.

DEPRESSING CONDITIONS IN THE ARGENTINE.

VALUE OF GRADING.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Feb. 2.

"I have done a considerable amount of travelling in Canada and the States, and have been in the best dairying territories, like Wisconsin, Minnesota, Ontario, etc., and I have not seen anything which you have not got just as good in New Zealand."

The writer is Mr. J. Pedersen, a Danish butter expert, who addresses his remarks to a friend in this colony. Mr. Pedersen used to be employed by the New Zealand Department of Agriculture. He left here to take up a creamery in the Argentine, but South American conditions did not appeal to him, and after a visit to Canada he became business manager of a dairy concern at Washington, where about a hundred men are employed. Mr. Pedersen's recognised knowledge and experience make his opinions of value. He says the general system of dairying in America is not so well conducted as it is in New Zealand. Each State has its own Dairy Commissioner. As to the New Zealand grading system, they have not anything approaching it, and what they have is a farce compared to ours. "Of course," says Mr. Pedersen, "good butter is made here, as well as in all parts of the world, but the butter is very much lacking in uniformity. The more I have seen of dairying in other countries, the more I am convinced that New Zealand has not much to learn from Americans, Canadians, or Danes. One thing it would pay to adopt in New Zealand is the combined churn and butter worker. We have three in this place, and after I got used to them I certainly liked them. They are big labour-savers, and butter can be worked as well with them as on a table, while it is more easy to control the moisture with them."

Mr. Pedersen describes his experiences in the Argentine like this:—"I sold out my Argentine creamery to a Buenos Ayres firm. Dairying in the Argentine is too difficult an undertaking to make the business profitable. Some of my suppliers were living hundreds of miles away, so we could not take milk; it was all home-separated cream. In some cases we only got this twice a week, and, considering the temperature was often over 100 degrees, you can imagine the condition of the raw material with which I had to deal. The railroad system is not too good, and in many cases the farmers live long distances from the railway stations, with which they are connected by vile roads. The result was that we were lucky if we received the cream three days after it was separated.

"Talk about dirty milking in New Zealand! I wish I could send you a photograph of how it is done in Argentina by the natives. These crude people have little or no idea of cleanliness; in fact, are apparently afraid of it. You will gather from this that it is all nonsense talking of the Argentine as a dairying country. Of course, you hear all kinds of stories about the big country, but I think it will take very many years to educate its people to a right understanding of it. Buenos Ayres is a very fine city and the first impression of the country is rather encouraging, but quite another impression is obtained by going inland. In the provinces of Cardova, Santa Fe, and Entre Rios the harvest may for years in succession be eaten up by locusts —something they know nothing of in New Zealand at the present time."

TASMANIAN APPLE SEASON.

A PROSPEROUS OUTLOOK.

HOBART, Wednesday.

Arrangements for the shipment of this season's apples to England and Germany have been completed. Altogether 21 steamers will load at Hobart, and the total shipment will exceed half a million cases, almost double the quantity of last year, when the crop was short. A new departure will be the shipment of 30,000 cases to Antwerp and Hamburg by the German-Australian line of steamers. The freight will be 3s 0½d per case to Germany, a saving of from 9d to 10d per case on the cost of shipment from London. The all-round cost of shipment will be equal to a reduction of 2d per case on last year. The first shipment will be despatched by the R.M.S. Orontes on February 12. Steamers will call regularly thereafter for fruit till April 27.

SHEEP AND RABBIT BAITS.

QUEANBEYAN.—Mr. W. F. Rutledge, of Gidleigh, Bungendore, has been a heavy loser through his sheep eating poisonous baits intended for rabbits. In one paddock, where 1000 fat wethers were kept, 150 died, and many others show signs of having taken the poison.

THE GUNDAGAI COMMON.

GUNDAGAI.—On Monday evening a well-attended meeting of townspeople was held to protest against the proposal of the Lands Department to cut up the common, comprising 300 acres, adjoining the town, into special leases. The Mayor, Alderman J. M. Dodd, presided, and stated it was most extraordinary that despite repeated assurances by the Minister for Lands that the common would be retained for the people a proposal to cut it up had been again brought forward. Only towards the end of last year the Minister withdrew the proposal from the land board. It was unanimously decided that emphatic protest be made against the proposal, as the carrying out of such a step would practically deprive residents of the town of commonage rights, a step that would affect the poorest residents most vitally. It was decided to ask for official assurance that the common would be left intact in the interest of the town as a common and recreation ground.

MEETINGS OF FARMERS.

WAGGA.—The annual meeting of the Murrumbidgee Pastoral and Agricultural Association was held on Tuesday night, Mr. Jas. Gormly, M.L.C., presiding. The balance-sheet showed that the receipts totalled £2800, and the expenditure £2100. After effecting considerable permanent improvements, the association was £300 better off than at the end of last year. The report mentioned that the society intended to hold a three-days' show in August next. A special vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Mitchelmore for his services as honorary treasurer during the past five years.

DAIRYING.

DUNGOG.—The output at the local Co-operative butter factory for the fortnight ended January 26 was 12 tons 2cwt, for which "superfine" price was received for first grade, the total pay amounting to £916. The number of suppliers has now increased to 150. Owing to the late rains, and the subsequent phenomenal growth of grass, the supply is increasing rapidly, the output for the week ended the 2nd inst being over seven tons.

JERILDERIE.—At a public meeting of farmers on Wednesday, it was decided to establish a butter factory locally. A provisional committee was appointed to bring up a report on the 20th inst. Mr. Hitchins, bank manager, was appointed hon. secretary. Already 250 shares in the proposed company have been taken up by the committee. The general hope is expressed to have everything in working order by about June at latest.

ORANGE.—The Orange Butter Factory's report for the half-year ended December 31 last shows the following operations:—53¾ tons of butter were manufactured from 232,670lb of cream, for which suppliers were paid £5477, the average price being 11d per lb; 257 pigs were received, weighing 25,388lb; amount paid to purchasers on account of the same was £466, averaging 3¾d per lb; 76 sides were cured on suppliers' account. For the month of January last 595 cans of cream were received, containing 37,927lb, from which 20,381lb of butter were made. Suppliers received £832. Ninety-three pigs were received, weighing 11,173lb, for which suppliers were paid £186, being at the rate of 4d per lb; 21 pigs were cured on suppliers' account. The bacon industry shows an increase. The butter department last month shows a slight decrease.

DISTRICT ITEMS.

BEGA.—As a result of the recent beneficial rain, record maize and potato crops are assured. The past season—i.e., for the 12 months ended December 31, 1906—has been a record in regard to the quantities of the district outputs and their value. In consequence business generally is flourishing.

BOWRAL.—Last month 312 tons of cabbages and 23 tons of peas were forwarded to Sydney from the local railway station.

CHATSWORTH ISLAND.—Since the beginning of the year the weather has been unusually wet, 1030 points having been registered. The season has been excellent for one-year-old cane, which is putting on extraordinary growth, and heavy cutting for the forthcoming year is now assured. Crushing operations on the Clarence are expected to extend over six months. So far the plantations exhibit a healthy appearance, the different varieties being quite free from disease. The season has also been very favourable to the dairying industry. There is an abundance of grass and water, and the pastures in the Clarence district may now be seen at their best. However, a few weeks' fine weather would be welcomed by agriculturists and pastoralists.

CONDOBOLIN.—During January 2950 bags of wheat and 819 bales of wool were despatched from the local railway station.

FORBES.—Wheat is rolling in very heavily, every available shed being full. Buyers in wheat are still purchasing freely locally, and the returns this year indicate at present they will eclipse those of former years.

PEAK HILL.—Great dissatisfaction is expressed locally over the decision of the Molong Pastures Protection Board in refusing to entertain applications lodged by homestead selectors for Government wire netting. Homestead selectors, by reason of the title to their land, are unable to borrow from banks, and being refused by pastures protection boards they are absolutely unable to find the means to obtain netting. The council has carried a resolution urging the member for the district to interview the Minister for Lands with the object of setting aside the decision of the board.

QUEANBEYAN.—Harvesting is now over. The yield was satisfactory. Rust made its appearance, but only in patches, and has not done much harm. Further splendid rains have fallen, which will do a vast amount of good, as grass was very dry, although plentiful.

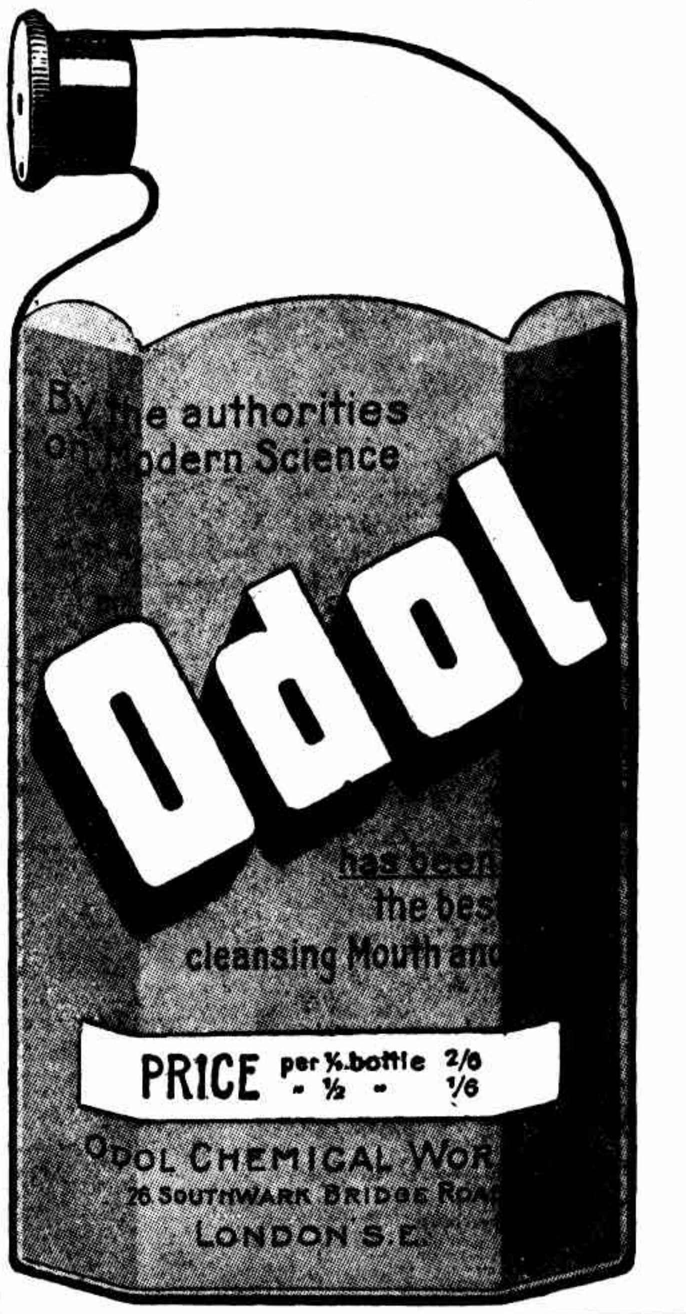
WAGGA.—The district stock inspector's report regarding stock within the Wagga pastures protection district at the end of last year shows an all-round increase. The figures are:—Horses, 15,860; cattle, 33,094; sheep, 1,400,340; pigs, 4340.

WINDSOR.—Still further surveys are to be made to test the practicability of cutting a tunnel from the Grose River to Bunalow Creek (one of its tributaries), the object being to reduce the swift-running waters of the river. This is in connection with the proposed irrigation scheme, which is being taken up with enthusiasm locally, and in connection with which it is proposed to form a Hawkesbury irrigation league.

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LAW REPORT.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

Joseph Lawson, of Cobar, miner. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

Francis Pond, of Kurri Kurri, miner. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

CREDITORS' PETITIONS.

Louis Uhde, trading as L. Uhde and Co., of 67 Market-street, Sydney, butcher, v Henry Bird, late of 26 Arthur-street, Leichhardt, providore. Petition to be heard February 11.

Frederick Allen Morgan and Reginald Ashenhurst Morgan, of Cootamundra, solicitors, v Henry Jensen, of Wallendbeen, miller. Petition to be heard February 18.

DISTRICT COURT.

(Before Judge Murray.)

CLAIM FOR RABBIT TRAPS.

Davies v Eason.

Mr. Henry Davies appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. James, instructed by Messrs. Ellis and Button, for the defendant. This was an action brought by Ralph Maunton Davies, trading as Davies, Shephard, and Co., water meter manufacturers and general engineers, against George Eason, trading as G. Eason and Co., to recover the sum of £30 4s 6d, balance of account alleged to be due for rabbit traps supplied to the order of the defendant. Plaintiff's case was that in December, 1905, the defendant engaged him to manufacture for him a number of rabbit traps, according to a sample supplied to him. Between the date mentioned and January of the same year he delivered 101 traps and 75 brass outlets and some extra work, which brought the account up to £70 4s 6d. Of this amount defendant had paid £40, and plaintiff now sued for the balance. The defence was that only 100 traps were supplied, which plaintiff contracted to make at 8s each, complete, including the brass outlets, and that the extras charged for were not ordered. It was explained by plaintiff during his evidence that the trap consisted of a tin or galvanised iron box, containing certain clockwork mechanism. Fluid poison was placed in a reservoir in the box connected with a brass tube, which curved over the top of the machine. As soon as a rabbit placed the weight of his paws or body on the platform of the trap the mechanism was automatically started, the result being that the fluid was forced through the brass outlet and fell upon the rodents, who succumbed. Plaintiff also stated that defendant originally said he wanted 1000 of the traps per month, but only the number mentioned in the claim was supplied. It might have been mentioned to him that the sample machine had been made in Melbourne, but if so, he did not remember it. Defendant in his evidence stated that plaintiff agreed to supply the machines complete at 8s each. He did not tell him definitely that he wanted 1000 per month, but said that if the machine went well he might require 1000 monthly.

His Honor found a verdict for the defendant.

ACTION FOR COMMISSION.

Horniman v Noonan.

Mr. E. Gerber, instructed by Mr. E. Trevor Jones, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Watt, instructed by Messrs. Collins and Mulholland, for the defendant. This was an action brought by Harold William Horniman against T. C. Noonan, to recover the sum of £17 1s, claimed by the plaintiff as commission for services rendered to the defendant in connection with the sale of a property in Victoria-street, Darlinghurst. The defence was that defendant never employed plaintiff as agent in the transaction at all.

A verdict was returned for the defendant.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Backhouse and juries.)

EMBEZZLEMENT.

Frederick William Hall, a clerk, pleaded guilty to having embezzled £106 1s 11d, the property of his employer, Harry Hillier. Mr. Manning appeared for the accused, who was remanded for sentence.

FALSE PRETENCES.

Charles Campbell, a middle-aged man, pleaded not guilty to a charge of obtaining property by false pretences and a false representation.

The case for the Crown was that the accused went to a man named William George Reed and sold him 126 sheets of galvanised iron, and other articles, for which he received £9 6s 11d in cash. He promised to deliver the goods that day. A carter called for the goods, but the accused put him off, and said he would deliver the iron as soon as possible. The goods, however, were not delivered.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and accused was remanded for sentence.

CHARGES OF ASSAULT.

Charles Higgs, an elderly man, was charged with unlawfully assaulting John M'Nally, in Sussex-street, on November 26 last.

The accused pleaded that he had already been acquitted of the charge.

Mr. Harris said there was also a charge of larceny against the accused, and it was immaterial to him which charge was gone on with, as the facts were the same in each instance.

The accused also said it was immaterial to him, so long as only one case was dealt with.

It was agreed that the charge of assault should be taken, and the accused pleaded not guilty.

The case for the Crown was that on November 26 John M'Nally, a printer, carrying on business at the Corporation-buildings, Sussex-street, saw a man coming out of an office adjoining his, with a bag under his coat. M'Nally stopped him, and the two had a struggle in the passage. The accused came along and pushed M'Nally, with the result that the man with the bag got away.

The defence was a denial of the charge.

The jury found the accused guilty, and he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

Henry Lester, a young man, was found guilty of assault, and was remanded for sentence.

STEALING POSTAGE STAMPS.

Samuel Anthony and Thomas Laidlow, two lads, appeared to answer a charge of stealing 138 postage stamps, 30 duty stamps, and one quart of whisky, the property of John See. The accused were also charged with having received the property.

Anthony pleaded not guilty, but Laidlow pleaded guilty to stealing, and was remanded for sentence.

The case for the prosecution was that the premises of John See and Co., Sussex-street, were entered some time between January 5 and 7, and the goods stolen. The two accused were seen at the rear of the premises by a constable on January 6. Constable Toohey arrested Anthony on January 8, but only one stamp was found in his possession. He said "I know nothing about the matter," but on the way to the station said, "You have got me; what about the other two."

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and accused was remanded for sentence.

BREAKING AND ENTERING.

David Marshall, a middle-aged man, pleaded not guilty to a charge of breaking and entering the shop of Robert Koops, Liverpool-street, on January 1, and stealing therefrom 4 fanlight openers, 6 hooks, 1 window fitter, 12 draw locks, 18 hinges, 4 burners, 20 show-case fittings, and other articles. Accused was also charged with receiving the goods.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and accused was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment with hard labour in Goulburn Gaol.

SENTENCES.

George Brown, who was found guilty of breaking and entering the dwelling-house of Reginald Manton, at Coogee, was sentenced to two years and six months at Bathurst Gaol.

Frank Reynolds, who pleaded guilty to stealing from a dwelling, was sentenced to two years with hard labour in Bathurst Gaol.

Robert Wilson, who pleaded guilty to two charges of stealing from a dwelling-house, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude in each case, the sentences to be concurrent.

Charles Robert Brady, who pleaded guilty to stealing from a dwelling, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

Henry Field, who on Tuesday was found not guilty of stealing, was defended by Mr. J. K. Malcolm.

LAW NOTICES.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7.

SUPREME COURT.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary: Weale v Willis, 11 a.m.; Langbein v Langbein, Evans co-respondent, 2.30 p.m.; Holloway v Holloway, 3.15 p.m. Before the Chief Clerk: M'Donald v M'Donald, 10.15 a.m.

Before the Deputy-Registrar in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: Clarke v Spinks, adjourned taxation.

Probate Jurisdiction.—The following accounts will be taken at the Probate Office:—Seth Jones, 10.30; Sarah Jane Buchanan, 11; Mary Ann Cope, 11.30. Adjourned accounts: Melanie Hoeppner, deceased, 12; Giovanni Paolo Pedersoli, 2.15.

In Lunacy.—Before the Chief Clerk, at 10.15 a.m., to 12.30 p.m.: Re general inquiries and maintenance matters.

DISTRICT COURT.

Before his Honor Judge Murray, at 10 a.m.: Rigden v Rowan, Booth v Cook, Burchell v Gazzard and another.

Note.—The list will be called over punctually at 10 a.m.

Before the Registrar, in No. 2 Court, at 10.30 a.m.: Clark v Houghton.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

Martin Larson Stoltz, maliciously wounding with intent; Walter John Moulton, embezzlement; Joseph Neals, breaking and entering and stealing; Alfred Clarke, larceny; Daniel Skene Ogilvy, shooting at with intent.

CUSTOMS INQUIRY.

Before the Acting Collector of Customs (Mr. J. Baxter), at 10 a.m.: Robert C. Bell, unlawful removal of goods.

THE APPROACHING TERM.

The following is the list of cases for the first term of the Supreme Court for the present year, commencing on Monday next:—

For Judgment.—Davey v Richardson and Wrench, Ltd.; Howard Smith Company, Limited, v Varawa; ex parte John J. Crockett; Miles v Henderson; in re Charles H. Larcombe and Crown Lands Acts, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, respondents.

Motion on Notice.—Ex parte Ellen Yates, re John Brown and another and Employers' Liability Act (for leave to proceed with action), to set aside order.

Motions, etc.—In re Harry John Barnes, ex parte the Incorporated Law Institute (part heard, cor. Darley, C.J., Owen, and Simpson J.J., November 22, 1906), attachment for contempt; ex parte Andrew M'Kye, prohibition; ex parte Haberfield Proprietary, Limited, prohibition; in re William Patrick Crick, Gent., one, etc., to show cause why he should not be removed from the roll of solicitors; ex parte Perle M'Clure, prohibition; ex parte William J. Doe, prohibition; ex parte James F. Guthrie, prohibition.

Motions Nisi for New Trial.—Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners v Wilson and another; Price v Robinson; Munro v Carter; Rumpf v New South Wales Fresh Food and Ice Company; the Bell Exploration Company, Limited, v Phippard; Lister and another v Henry Simon, Limited; Jones and others v Holmes and others; Manton v Williams; Killen v Robinson; Lithgow v Howard Smith Company, Limited.

New Trial Motions.—Hazelton v Potter; Freehill v M'Laughlin; Little v Bowden Brothers and Co., Limited; Coghlan v Eagles.

Demurrers and Special Cases.—O'Keefe and others v Williams, for argument, before Darley, C.J., Owen, and Pring, J.J., demurrer; in re Frederick Stanley and the Examiner of Titles, and in the matter of the Real Property Act, special case; Commissioners of Taxation v Willis, demurrer; Crick v Harnett, demurrer; Crick v M'Court, demurrer; Eldershaw v Eldershaw, demurrer; Clifford v Gregson, special case; Scott v Hyman, special case; Clough v J. M. Cox, special case; Bennett v the Minister, special case.

Crown Cases.—Rex v Charles Macfarlane and W. J. Macfarlane; Rex v William Worsley and Mary Ann Ryder.

Equity and Divorce Appeals.—Josephson v Josephson; Perpetual Trustee Company v A.J.S. Bank.

POLICE COURTS.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES.

Edward Smith, alias Hanley, alias Bryant, alias Zeich, was committed for trial by Mr. J. L. King, D.S.M., at the Water Police Court yesterday, upon three charges of false pretences. The three charges will come on for hearing at the Quarter Sessions, commencing on April 4.

DIRTY SYDNEY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I think it is high time to protest against the filthy condition of Sydney's streets. After my recent visit to England I have no hesitation in saying that Sydney is absolutely the dirtiest city of any importance that I saw during my travels. This is so because the method of scavenging is altogether inadequate, and citizens are being poisoned every day by having to breathe in the ground-up horse manure, much of which, instead of being properly removed from the wooden pavements, is left there to be pulverised into fine dust, and then scattered with every passing breeze into the faces and over the clothes of citizens.

The morning flushing of the gutters is by no means sufficient to keep them clean, and the process ought to be repeated two or three times a day at least in the more busy thoroughfares. The dirty footpaths are another source of disgust and annoyance.

I have written to the Lord Mayor and the town clerk, complaining of the outrageous condition of the main streets, for the cleansing of which we are duly taxed, but so far I have noticed no improvement. I should, therefore, be glad to have the help of the press in demanding the speedy removal of a grievance which, besides working positive injury to the health of the citizens, is constantly bringing shame and disgrace on our otherwise fair city.

It is the business of the corporation to discover how best the cleaning of the streets can be accomplished, and to find the people best able to do it. Other cities have solved the problem, and it is probably the fault of our easy-going citizens that the Corporation of Sydney has yet to do so. As there is no excuse for dirty streets, their prevalence in Sydney must be regarded as indisputable evidence of municipal incompetence.

I am, etc.,

Feb. 4. FREDERIC LASSETTER.

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To the Residents of Berry and South Coast. —This week's issue of "The Sydney Mail" contains excellent illustrations of the Berry National Show, accompanied by a special article by "Moira."—Advt.

ROCKCHOPPERS.

IMPROVED CONDITIONS OF WORK.

DEPUTATION TO THE W. AND S. BOARD.

A report of a deputation from the Sydney Labour Council, which waited upon the president of the Water and Sewerage Board on January 31, in regard to rock-choppers, was laid before the board at the ordinary meeting yesterday. The deputation urged the desirableness of inserting in all future contract specifications a clause providing for a minimum wage of 9s to men engaged in rock-chopping, and the reduction of the hours of labour to six. The following were present:—Messrs. F. Bryant (president of the Labour Council), J. P. Cochran (secretary), R. Boxall (ex-president), M. Burke, A. Vernon, J. Grant, T. W. Kelsey, E. W. Cutler, J. Norton, W. J. Corbett, G. Murray, Alderman M'Ivor, and Mrs. Christie. The following board members were present:—Mr. Jacob Garrard and Aldermen Jones and Meagher.

After the deputation had expressed their views,

The President, in reply, said it had to be considered that the board represented the people, and in carrying out their work they had to do so in the best interests of those who employed them—the Government and the ratepayers. Whatever profits were made by the board did not go into their pockets; they were not like ordinary employers, who made profits out of their transactions. Whatever profits were made by the board went to the reduction of rates. He sympathised with the rock choppers most sincerely in the dangerous occupation in which they were engaged. He happened to have had large experience in underground work. As a matter of fact he was the engineer who had charge of the whole of the underground work in connection with the Sydney water supply from the Nepean tunnel down to Prospect—12 miles of tunnel in all classes of ground. He spent a large part of four or five years there, and contracted an ailment himself from that particular work which he had to this day, and he supposed would carry to the grave. So that he had considerable sympathy with the men who worked in dangerous positions. Those tunnels, of course, were much larger than the one mentioned that day. He had not had much experience of sewer tunnels, 4ft by 3ft, although he had been in them, but he knew the conditions of tunnelling so well that he was absolutely certain that men working under those conditions were doing so at the risk of their lives. His idea about the matter was that employers of labour under such conditions should certainly endeavour in every possible way to provide appliances with regard to ventilation where rock chopping was going on. Notwithstanding efficient ventilation, he realised that these men must still inhale a large amount of dust, which eventually killed them. He was, therefore, prepared to advise his board to shorten the hours of work. He considered that six hours were quite sufficient for any man to work under those conditions. With regard to the wages, he certainly thought that rock-choppers should be paid well, and he intended to recommend his board to adopt the minimum wage in the specifications, to actually specify the minimum that the contractors should not go below. He was quite aware that for a long time past the board had set its face against adopting a minimum wage in specifications, and he thought rightly so, too, but in particular cases he considered the board would do well to fix a minimum wage. He thought 9s per day should be that minimum.

The president then submitted resolutions embodying the promises he had made to the deputation, and fixing the hours at six per shift, the men not to be allowed to work more than one shift per day; and the wages at 9s per shift minimum, with other provisions intended to provide for the comfort and safety of the workmen.

The board adopted the resolutions.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

OUR STATE SYSTEM.

MUNICIPALISM AT WORK.

The Political Labour Conference has dealt with the subject of local government from that point of view, and the result has been embodied in a report which was presented to the conference and published in these columns on February 1. It is not a very illuminating document, and it bears all the signs of having been prepared before the recent legislation on the subject was passed into law. But even if the matter of the report was "stale," there was no excuse for "staleness" in the matter of the speeches upon the subject. The speech of the mover of the adoption of the report—himself a legislator—ought properly to have been delivered a year ago, as its assertions belonged to that period; and judging from the tone of it, he might have just awakened from the sleep of enchantment which lasted during the deliberations of Parliament on the local government measure.

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The platform is extremely parochial in character, and is quite out of touch with modern municipal developments and thought. For example, the question of Greater Sydney was referred to a committee for consideration and report. This report will be read a year hence, and by that time, if Mr. Carruthers's programme is carried out, all the necessary legislation will be passed, and citizens of Greater Sydney and Newcastle will be at close grips on the matter with legislative sanction. The reference to a committee was a shelving of the question. One extraordinary proposition is for the creation of "a metropolitan board of works, consisting of three commissioners, to have control of the metropolitan water and sewerage service, the fire brigades, and Sydney Harbour, Parliament to annually strike the rates which are to be levied by the commissioners." This proposition is strangely inconsistent with the "objective" of the party, which is stated to be "the cultivation of self-reliance by means of local self-government for the satisfaction of local needs." The three services proposed to be handed over to a board are eminently "local needs," and are in every well-governed city subject to "self-reliant" local self-government through county, borough, and municipal councils.

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It is clear that the subject of local government has received very scant study from the party. And it is generally true that the marvellous development of modern municipalism owes very little to organised labour or organised socialism. The German Socialistic party, led by the late Herr Liebknecht and the present leader, Herr August Bebel, has deliberately turned its face away from municipal action. Liebknecht told the present writer in 1897 that John Burns was "wasting his time" in the London County Council, and that political action was the only weapon for his party. He condemned his Socialist colleague, Herr Singer, for meddling with the Berlin City Council, and clearly indicated that he looked to a centralised State machinery to take the place of the local self-governing bodies in Germany if the Socialists came to power.

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In England, with the exception of John Burns and an odd man here and there in the provincial towns, the Labour party has taken little interest in local government. Mr. Keir Hardie's party has only just begun to move a little in it. All the great enterprises of Glasgow and Birmingham, which have made those cities immensely rich, are due to men of the type of Joseph Chamberlain—shrewd, practical, business men, who have carved out their own fortunes, and who realised that the success of the civic government of the cities in which their fortunes were made would react on their own undertakings. In London the agitation against the old Metropolitan Board of Works, which led to its abolition and the establishment of the London County Council, was mainly the work of young middle-class Oxford and Cambridge men, such as Hubert Bland, Graham, Wallas, and to middle-class enthusiasts like the journalists Stead, G. Bernard Shaw, and H. W. Massingham, and publicists like Sidney Webb, Walter Besant, and Firth—certainly not to organised labour.

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In the United States, as in Germany and Britain, organised labour has not troubled with the reform movements which have profoundly moved the government of such cities as Boston, New York, and Philadelphia, etc. Independent private persons, the press, and the magazines have come forward to clean up the awful corruption of Tammany and such like influences in each of those towns, and to forward the municipal ownership of services in the nature of monopolies, through which most of the corruption of the combines was successfully engineered.

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It is difficult to reconcile the aspiration for the "cultivation of self-reliance by means of local self-government", in the Labour objective with a proposal to create another statutory body to have control over the destinies of the residents of Sydney, without their having the slightest share in such control. The citizens of Sydney (who constitute almost half the population of the State) have for years been protesting against the tendency to set up competing bodies to the proper municipal authorities on the area, and have been pointing out the waste and inefficiency which result from divided control; and now we have this proposal, which has only one virtue, viz., that instead of three statutory boards, some non-elective, some partially elective, all supervising services which should be managed by elective bodies, the Labour platform proposes to have only one.

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The tendency to aggrandise Parliament and centralised governmental control at the expense of local self-government is shown in the proposition that "Parliament is to annually strike the rates which are to be levied by these commissioners." Parliament ought to have something better to do than administering the civic services of the citizens of Sydney through a system which is an absolute negation of the principles of local self-government.

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The tendency to antagonise the principles of "self-reliance by means of local self-government" was further shown in the report of the "public health" committee to the conference. Public health is essentially an administrative municipal service. The new Local Government Act, as well as the old Municipalities Act, recognises this; and the Public Health Act will be administered by the local authority within its area. The Labour Conference, however, recommends that "the whole of the Acts dealing with public health, and the sections dealing with public health in the Early Closing and other Acts, be consolidated, and administered by the Board of Health, who shall have sole power to appoint inspectors." Again the local authorities are treated with contempt, and the important work is to be handed over to a Governmental board. No one will contend that there should not be a central State organisation of public health, which would have a general oversight of the work over the whole State; but the administration of public health and the appointment of sanitary inspectors belongs both by policy and by law to the local authorities, and the recommendation of the conference was in the teeth of policy, experience, and opinion in respect of local government.

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The important subject of Greater Sydney was laid aside for a year; but even the mention of it drew from one New South Wales legislator an opinion that meddling with this important matter—than which nothing is more important, including, as it does, better health, better housing, public recreation, open spaces, children's playgrounds, in short the amelioration of the lot of the working classes and their families—was "loading the executive," and "coming down to the gutter of politics." His further statement that "they did not want men with municipal minds in politics" is hilariously amusing, when it is remembered how reluctant the average member of Parliament was to relinquish the "gutter" duties of the local member, and when the public memory goes back to the very recent period when the quorum bells of the Houses rang continuously owing to the majority of members being occupied in ante-rooms in answering their voluminous correspondence upon local roads and bridges, and culverts and gutters, in their electorates. Indeed, it is doubtful whether this work does not go on to-day as actively as it did before the passage of the Local Government Act.

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As to "the municipal mind in politics," which Mr. M'Garry, M.L.A., says his party must avoid, the municipal enthusiast, who might have been depressed by such criticism, plucks up courage again when he remembers that Joseph Chamberlain and John Burns, Theodore Roosevelt, Lord Rosebery, G. Bernard Shaw, Professor Virchow, and Sidney Webb are wont to boast of their connection with public bodies, and to extol the splendid field of usefulness which is open to the men who are willing to exploit the municipal sphere. "Statesmanship" is the word which is commonly used to indicate the value of municipal work. Its results are a decreasing death-rate, healthier homes, brighter lives, greater facilities for recreation to city dwellers, the reconstruction of cities, and a business method and a commercial grasp through it all which distinguishes it from the nerveless impracticality of average Parliamentary and member-ridden administration.

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Some municipal councils claim to be embarrassed by the temporary deprivation of certain powers formerly possessed by them under the Municipalities Act, and which they now wish to regain. In the repeal of the Municipalities Act of 1897, by section 4 of the Local Government Act, certain savings excepted a number of functions now being carried on by the councils; but other necessary functions have to be conferred by the Governor by regulation or ordinance. It is understood that these powers will be reconferred without delay, and that ordinances and regulations dealing with them will be gazetted at the earliest possible moment. At most a temporary embarrassment may be felt, and the nature of the legislative change meant a certain amount of discomfort at first. The criticism is not very sharp, and the great majority of councils, Mayors, and town clerks are working in a good spirit, resolved to make the best of things, and to assist the authorities in every possible way. The department, on its side, has called into council a number of well-known town clerks of great experience, and excellent progress is being made in the direction of smoothing difficulties.

A. H. Clarke:—"Owner" is defined in the Act. That definition (sub-section a) would clearly cover the first case put by you. The second case (land company) would depend upon the circumstances of the case. It would be impossible to say without a knowledge of the circumstances. But it is probable that both the cases you put would be treated as "owners" for rating and other municipal purposes.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

GUILDFORD RAILWAY CROSSING.

At a well-attended meeting of the residents of Guildford on Tuesday evening, to consider what steps should be taken to bring under the notice of the Railway Commissioners the dangerous nature of the level crossing at the railway station, and also suggestions for preserving the safety of passengers and vehicular traffic crossing the line, it was decided to recommend that a gatekeeper be stationed at the crossing, and that an overhead bridge for foot passengers only be erected. Mr. J. Mars, traffic inspector, was present, and promised to represent the views of the meeting to the Commissioners.

A PENSIONER'S MONEY.

At the Parramatta police court on Wednesday, before Mr. W. Clarke, D.S.M., Charles Rustin was charged with stealing a handbag, an old age pension certificate, and £1 3s 7d in money, the property of Eliza Brophy. The evidence was to the effect that Mrs. Brophy, an old age pensioner, had gone into a grocer's shop, where she was taken ill, and dropped her bag. The accused picked it up, and walked away. When arrested the money was found on him, and he stated that he had burned the certificate and the bag. He was fined £10, in default three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

THE LIBERAL PARTY AND TEACHERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—At a meeting of teachers at the Queen's Hall on Friday night it was decided to form an Assistant Teachers' Association. But there is not the slightest doubt that a great many teachers were in favour of forming a Teachers' Union, ultimately to be affiliated with trades and labour. It was pointed out at the meeting that there were hundreds of teachers of over 15 years' service receiving a much less wage than carpenters, butchers, and other tradesmen who have formed unions and become affiliated with Trades and Labour. The strength of unionism was dealt with at some length by various speakers. It was said that the Labour Parliamentary party, from Mr. M'Gowen and Mr. Holman down, are known to be favourable to substantial increases in teachers' salaries; that Mr. Hollis, M.L.A., made an effort on their behalf just towards the close of the last sitting of Parliament, and during the discussion on the education estimates. It was also stated that teachers have the sympathy of the Federal Labour party; that the Trades and Labour Council, including Mr. Riley, representative of employees on the Arbitration Court, recently made an investigation into teachers' salaries, and claimed that in hundreds of cases teachers were being "sweated;" while the "Herald" thought the matter important enough to give some considerable space in its columns to the council's findings. Recently the Labour Council invited teachers to form a union. All this goes to show that an attempt is being made to capture the teachers' vote and influence at the forthcoming State elections. How different has been the attitude of the Liberal and Reform Government towards teachers. It appears to have done everything to drive this intellectual and influential body of men and women into the arms of our socialistic enemy. The Government insulted the teachers by granting a little over £4000 to be distributed as increases among something over 5500 teachers. When the Teachers' Association appointed a deputation to wait upon Mr. Carruthers he got on the high horse and refused to see them, thus estranging a body of intelligent men and women over 5000 strong. Mr. O'Conor, the present Minister, is looked upon by nearly every teacher in the service as the most unsympathetic and weakest that they have ever had, as witness the reception given to him on Saturday morning at the Protestant Hall, compared with that given Mr. Perry, the late Minister. Rightly or wrongly, the whole body of teachers are up in arms against the present Government. Now, Sir, Mr. Carruthers may be able to afford to lose the votes and influence of something like 5500 teachers at the forthcoming elections; but I do not think that the Liberal and Reform Association will agree with him. We must not forget as reformers and anti-socialists that the teachers' influence is an intelligent influence—that he or she has relatives, that a teacher's influence in small towns is very marked, and that the action of the Government in estranging this body does not mean 6000 votes lost o liberalism, but at least from 20,000 to 25,000. I myself am being influenced by two male teacher relatives, even while penning this letter. They are both married, with families. One has had 15 years' service, and his monthly salary averages about £2 10s per week; and the other nearly a quarter of a century's service, and he gets about £2 15s per week. They point out that it is less than a Glebe Island butcher receives. I know that both of these gentlemen voted Liberalism at last election, but they are all for Labour at the forthcoming election. However, I hope to be able to withstand their attacks, and again vote Liberalism. They tel me that teachers are everywhere working for the overthrow of the present Government at next elections. I would suggest that the Liberal and Reform Association invite the Teachers' Association to put before its members their grievances to see what can be done in the matter. It would at least be a reply to the Labour Parliamentary party and the Trades and Labour Council, and appears to me to be the only method of gaining the teachers' sympathies for liberalism and reform at the next State elections. There appears little doubt that teachers have substantial and real grievances, notwithstanding the Government to the contrary. I am, etc.,

LIBERAL.

"While riding across the bridge to Stratford," says Mr. H. Crawford, of Cardiff, N.Z., "my horse slipped, coming down on my leg and bruising it very badly. As soon as I got home I bathed the limb in very hot water, and then had Chamberlain's Pain Balm thoroughly rubbed in. Have always been a believer in this liniment, and am more so now, for in two days' time the soreness had nearly disappeared, and within a week I was as fit as ever."—Advt.

The Prize Farm Competitions of the North Coast Division are well illustrated in this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

THE RAILWAYS.

SHORTAGE OF WHEAT TRUCKS.

Despite that about four trains of empty trucks are sent daily to the wheatgrowing districts, the Railway Department is unable to cope with the extraordinary rush of business to be dealt with just now. An extremely busy season necessitates the department putting its best efforts forward so as to handle the traffic. It is officially pointed out that as a rule the wool season is finished long before this date, but owing to the peculiar season the wool this year has been arriving late; and coupled with this there has been a rush to get wheat forward for market, while the all-round business—general goods and minerals—has also been extremely brisk. It has been unusual in the past for the week's earnings to run into six figures, but it has been a comparatively frequent occurrence during the last four months; and last week again the earnings ran into six figures, reaching £101,432, or £4000 better than the corresponding week of the previous year. Railway customers, however, while gratified that the railway finances are so booming, are complaining that their convenience is not being met in the way of getting produce promptly forward, referring particularly to wheat.

In regard to the complaints which have been made, the department has to admit that there have been delays in promptly meeting all orders for trucks, but everything reasonable is being done to meet the exceptional rush; and results show that a great deal of business has been done as compared with last year. The wool shows a very big increase in the last two months, while the wheat traffic from December 1 last up till yesterday showed an increase at the metropolis from 929,000 to 980,000 bags. With demands all over the system for trucks, there must be some difficulty in allocating supplies so as to meet the orders at each place; but discretion is exercised (the Commissioners state), and the trucks are well distributed amongst all districts. At the same time preference to any particular senders is avoided. Suggestions have been made that all orders for trucks at sidings should be met in full, and if any shortage is occasioned it should be limited to stations where stacking facilities exist; but this the railway officers think would cause great irritation if it were adopted. The returns published yesterday as to the deliveries in Sydney are said to be incorrect. Three hundred trucks are said to have been delivered at Darling Harbour and Darling Island yesterday.

The department, as a rule, is always desirous to avoid Sunday running if possible, but the excessive traffic forced Sunday running on the 3rd instant so as to distribute empty trucks throughout the country.

THE DISQUALIFIED PLAYERS.

NOBLE THROWS DOWN THE GAUNTLET.

Colonel Neild presided last night in the dining-room of Bateman's Hotel at the postponed meeting of the committee which is acting sympathetically with the players disqualified by the New South Wales Cricket Association.

The chairman said that some of the remarks attributed to Mr. Clayton at the last meeting of the association were such as should not have been made by anyone desiring to be esteemed a gentleman. (Hear, hear.) He was represented as speaking of a meeting held close to a public-house bar. Mr. Clayton forgot that the Cricket Association for years met in an hotel. He objected to the committee being referred to by the vice-president of the association as a body of irresponsible persons. The accusers, as a fact, he said, were more irresponsible themselves than they were disposed to admit. They did not represent any clubs, and were irresponsible persons if any were. (Cheers.)

The chairman read a letter from Mr. Chalmers, who wrote from the country, and expressed regret at his inability to be present. The point of the letter was in the following words:—"I have had a chat with Mr. Noble, who has authorised me to say that he has twice previously made application for the removal of his suspension—once by letter and once personally, and does not intend again making application. (Hear, hear.) He has not had any meeting of the cricketers under suspension since Monday evening's meeting of the association, but says he feels sure that none of them will again make application. Mr. Noble contends if the time has arrived for the removal of the suspensions that it is the bounden duty of the association to remove them without compelling the cricketers to go cap in hand and ask for the removal of the suspensions."

Continuing, the chairman said he was inclined to think that the players had made a mistake in consenting to enter the field during the season under the association's direction in view of the way that body had treated them. He would like to know how New South Wales would have stood had the players refused to go into the field in the interstate matches. And there was this very important point to remember, that unless the suspensions were removed there would be no visit from an English cricket team in the coming summer. Considering the way the association had acted, there was no saying what new capers they would cut if the players complied with the demand. There was a distinct understanding before that if the players applied for the removal of the suspensions the old trouble would be dropped. But the players were restored for the purposes of the association's bank account, and the association then placed upon them a penalty that did not exist in the rules of the association at the time of the alleged offence and suspension. That being so, it was a heinous thing that advantage should be taken of new rules to deal with an old grievance, and impose new penalties for an old offence. (Cheers.)

After a general discussion, the following motion was unanimously carried:—"That the suspended cricketers be written to and asked to meet this committee in conference with reference to the resolution passed by the New South Wales Cricket Association."

COLLECTION OF WATER COLOURS.

A collection of water colours depicting English and Continental scenery, exteriors of churches and cathedrals, and other views of interest, has been secured by Mr. Bernard, of the Swiss studios, George-street. They are of much more than ordinary interest, and of more than usual merit. Most of them are landscapes, beautiful little coloured representations of English country scenes, woodland and cornfield, pastoral and urban, and are after such acknowledged artists as Arthur Suker, Walter Sinclair, J. F. Schultze, and Herbert Finn. The collection includes over a hundred different studies, such as the eye delights to rest on.

THE SCOTS GREYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I have only to-day seen a letter addressed to you in Monday's issue, "Scotland and the Scots Greys." Your correspondent states that he has "waited indignantly and expectantly for some move on the part of Scottish Australians in the direction of a protest against the proposal of the Secretary for War (himself a Scot) to denationalise the Royal Scots Greys, Scotland's only cavalry regiment, and one of the most magnificent corps of horse in the world."

If it will allay your correspondent's impatience, I may inform him that long ere his letter appeared in your columns the Highland Society of New South Wales had already considered, resolved on, and adopted a line of action. Acting with the Highland Society of New South Wales are 20 other affiliated Caledonian societies throughout New South Wales.

I am, etc., J. CURRIE ELLES,
Hon. Secretary Highland Society of N.S.W.
Feb. 1.

SPLITTING HEADACHES.

A HOUSEWIFE'S CONSTANT PAIN AND MISERY ENDED BY BILE BEANS.

"I have been a sufferer for a number of years," says Mrs. S. A. Clare, of 23 Phillip-street, Alexandria, Sydney, "with splitting headaches and wind on the stomach. Sometimes I have been obliged to lay up for days together, unable to do anything but wish I was dead, and at times I have really thought I was near my last days. I tried many remedies advertised to cure the complaints I suffered from, but my money seemed to be thrown away, and I was at a loss to know what next to do, when a friend who had benefited by the use of Bile Beans advised me to try them. I am glad to say that the very first dose had such a beneficial effect that I continued to use them, and now, after having used only one box, I am quite a different woman. Instead of the periodical splitting headaches, which I dreaded, I am speedily losing the old troubles, and am pleased to say I am in much better health, and prefer Bile Beans to all other medicines. I find myself growing a new woman, and cannot say too much in favour of Bile Beans, which I consider are a certain cure for headaches." Bile Beans speedily and permanently cure Biliousness, Headache, Constipation, Piles, Debility, Liver Troubles, Female Weaknesses, Indigestion and all digestive disorders, nervousness, bad taste in the mouth, foul breath, anaemia, dizziness, feelings of uncomfortable fulness after eating, wind pains, sleeplessness, summer fag, etc. They also act as a general tonic, and tone up the whole system. Bile Beans improve the general circulation, and are a boon to pale-faced girls and weak women. Obtainable from all Stores and Chemists, at 1s 1½d, or 2s 9d large family box.—Advt.

"TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAINS.

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SILKS.

J.—27in Ivory White Jap. Washing Silks; Sale Prices, 1s 1½d, 1s 6d, 1s 9d, 2s 2d, and 2s 6d yard.
K.—27in Full Cream Jap. Washing Silks, 1s 2½d, 1s 9d.
L.—18in Cream Sarsnet; usual price, 1s 0½d; reduced to 9½d yard.
M.—19-22in Cream Satins; Sale prices, 1s 1½d, 1s 5d, 1s 8d, 1s 10d, 2s 4d, and 2s 6d yard.
N.—19in White and Cream Spun Silks; usual price, 1s 3d; Sale price, 11½d yard.
O.—19in Cream and Ivory Paillette; Sale price, 1s 7d yard.
P.—21in Cream Bengaline; usual price, 1s 11½d; Sale price, 1s 6½d per yard; really cheap.
Q.—21in Broche Satins, in white and cream, small and large designs; Sale prices, 1s 10d, 2s 3d, and 2s 6d yard. (Also large handsome design, 3s 3d yard.)
R.—22in Jap. Washing Silks, Ivory ground, with pink and green floral stripe; Sale price, 1s 6½d; worth 2s 3d yard.
S.—46in Crystal Silk Lawn, in cream, helio., sky and pink shades; Sale price, 2s 6d per yard.
T.—24in Tussore Silks; Sale price, 10½d yard; 25in., 1s 4d and 1s 7d; 34in, 1s 10d and 2s 1d yard.
U.—19in Paillette Silks, pale shades, in sky, nil, and pink and cardinal; Sale price, 1s 7d yard.
V.—20in Peau de Soie Silks, bright rose and dove shades only; usual price, 1s 8½d; Sale price, 11½d per yard.
W.—20in Paillette Silks, pale shades, in turquoise, pink, helio., biscuit, and reseda; Sale price, 1s 10d yard.
X.—19in Merv. Silk, in cardinal shade only; usual price, 1s 11½d; Sale price, 1s 3½d yard.

"TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAINS.

LADIES' BOOTS.

Ladies' Glace Kid Lace Boots, American material and best work, pointed toes, welted soles, pat. peak toecaps; reduced for this sale from 11s 9d to 8s 9d.

Ladies' Glace Kid Lace Boots, patent leather, goloshed all round, smart shape, sewn flexible soles, French heels; reduced from 14s 6d to 11s 6d.

Girls' American make Best Quality Lace or Button Boots, sizes 8 and 9 only; special, 4s 6d.

"TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAINS.

MILLINERY.

LADIES, YOU CAN SAVE MONEY BY BUYING NOW.

The Price of a HAT trimmed to order before the Sale—
Hat, 4s 11d; 1½ Chiffon 1s 1½d, 1s 8½d; ½ Velvet 2s 11d, 6d; 4yds Ribbon 9½d, 3s 2d; 1 Tip, 3s 11d; Trimming and Lining, 1s 7½d 15 10
During the Sale—
1 Hat, 1s 0½d; 1½ Chiffon 9½d, 1s 2½d; ½ Velvet 2s 11d, 4d; 4 Ribbon 8d, 2s 10d; 1 Tip, 3s 6d; Trimming and Lining, 11½d 9 10½
WHAT YOU SAVE 5 11½
ALL THE GOODS ARE NEW, UP-TO-DATE STUFF—NOT OLD STOCK.

"TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAINS.

MEN'S BOOTS.

Men's Fine Satin Calf Lace Boots, pegged, toecaps, 5s 3d.
Men's Box Calf leg fine satin Calf Lace Boots, sewn, no join at side, medium toes, 7s 3d.
Men's Superior Quality Box Calf Lace Boots, whole goloshed, fair stitched, in either narrow or medium toes.
Men's Nevis Calf Lace Boots, fair stitched, very soft uppers, in narrow or medium toes, 10s.
Men's Cyrano Calf Lace Boots, half wide welts, fair stitched. The uppers of these boots are soft and pliable.
Same quality, with patent leather toecaps, 11s.
A Special Purchase of Men's Box Calf Lace Boots, welted as hand sewn. We have three shapes in these Boots, viz., medium, narrow, or smart square toes. This line is one of our Special bargains. Price, 11s 9d.
Men's Best Quality Box Calf Lace Boots, welted as hand sewn, medium toes, extra thick soles and wide welts, a thoroughly reliable Boot, 14s 3d.
Men's American Calf Lace Boots, welted as hand sewn (G. E. Keith), 18s 6d.
Men's Best Quality Box Calf Lace Boots, English manufacture (Bostock's), welted as hand sewn. These boots are made from the finest material, and we can recommend them as a first-class article. Price, 20s.
A Special Line of Men's Glace Kid Lace Boots, medium or narrow toes, for this Sale only, 7s 11d.
Men's Glace Kid Button Boots, half wide welts, fair stitched, medium toes, 10s.
MEN'S SPECIAL PURCHASE OF GLACE KID or BOX CALF LACE BOOTS, WELTED AS HAND SEWN, WIDE WELTS, MEDIUM TOES, MADE FROM SELECTED MATERIALS. These Boots are good fitting and stylish, and will wear well. REDUCED from 14s 9d to 11s 6d.



A GENUINE SALE

Yesterday the early morning looked gloomy and generally disappointing, but about 10 o'clock the sun came out, smiling as he is wont to do in this sunny clime of ours.

We are glad he came out early, for it acted encouragingly to the many housekeepers who had promised themselves a visit to the Model Store during sale time, and they decided to come along and see the bargains that were offering.

The uncertainty of the weather failed to keep thousands away yesterday, and it was only a half-day. You have a full day to-day, so there is hardly any excuse to offer for staying away.

This genuine sale of ours is a genuine money-saving opportunity of yours, and if you have not yet been in, come to-day.

The true economy Bargains advertised here represent choice lines from ten departments.

GRACE BROS., The Model Store, Broadway, Sydney.

"TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAINS.

JUVENILE CLOTHING.

During our Sale we reduced the price of regular everyday goods; that is where the saving comes in; it is not always economy to buy an article that is really cheap, because you may have no use for it; but if you can save on goods you really want, there is no doubt of the wisdom of buying.

Boy's Fancy Tweed Rugby Suits, 3 garments, well made and finished, sizes 8 to 2; Sale price, 9s 6d.
Boys' Navy Diagonal Serge Rugby Suits, sizes 8 to 2, 11s 6d.
Boys' Fancy Tweed Norfolk Suits, open fronts, step collar; special Sale line, sizes 6 to 12, 6s 11d.
Boys' Fancy Tweed Norfolk Suits, open front, step collar, sizes 8 to 12; Sale price, 9s 6d.
Boys' Crash Conway Suits, with extra detachable collar, sizes 0 to 8; Sale price, 5s 6d.
Boys' White Pique Conway Suits, sizes 0 to 7; Sale price, 3s 9d.
Boys' Crash Sailor Blouses, collars trimmed with white braid, sizes 0 to 8; Sale price, 1s 5d.
Boys' Galatea Sailor Blouses, sizes 0 to 6, 1s 5d.
Special line Boys' Tweed Sailor Suits, button to neck, sizes 0 to 8, 4s 6d.
All Wool Sergerette Sailor Suits, button to neck, Brown, Drab, Grey, sizes 4 to 9; Sale, 6s 6d.
Boys' Crash Norfolk Coats, step collar, open front, sizes 5 to 13; Sale price, 2s 11d.
Boys' Galatea Norfolk Coats, open front, step collars, sizes 6 to 12; Sale price, 2s 11d.
Boys' Strong Tweed Knickers, all dark shades, good lining, sizes 0 to 12; Sale price, 1s 9d, 1s 11d.
Boys' Fine Diagonal Serge Knickers, 0 to 12; Sale price, 2s 3d, 2s 6d.
Boys' Blouses, an assorted lot, all sizes, 0 to 8; Sale price, 11½d. This is a Special Bargain Table.
SEE OUR TABLE OF SAMPLE SUITS AND BLOUSES.

A "TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAIN.

CHIFFON.

8 inch Tucked Chiffons Black, Champagne, Lt. Grey, Vieux Rose. 6½d yard.

"TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAINS.

FURNITURE.

PACKED FREE FOR THE COUNTRY.

Special Line in BEDROOM SUITES, 3ft 6 WARDROBE, Oct. side glasses in wardrobe, long bevelled mirror, 1 long and 2 short drawers under; nicely carved panels and pediment; 3ft Dressing Chest, 2 long and 2 short drawers, jewel drawers at side, bevelled mirror; 3ft Washstand, marble top and tiled back, 1 drawer, and pedestal cupboard under, towel rails at side. NOTE THE PRICE, stained Walnut or clear Pine finish, £7 9s 6d.

BEDROOM SUITE, consisting of 5ft Beaconsfield Wardrobe, bevelled shaped glass, 3ft 6 Dressing Chest, 2 long drawers, jewel drawers at sides, landscape Mirror, 3ft 6 Washstand, marble top and tiled back, 2 drawers and pedestal cupboard under, landscape bevelled shape mirror in back and towel rails at sides; Rosewood finish, marvellous value, £15.

REMEMBER THESE PRICES ARE DURING SALE ONLY—SPOT CASH.

"TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAINS.

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S HOSIERY.

Ladies' Black Cotton Hose, with natural coloured feet During Sale, 8½d pair.
Black Lace Ankle Lisle Hose, with Cashmere feet, 1s 4½d pair.
Something Special for the Children—
Black Ribbed Cashmere Hose.

Size	3	4	5	6
Price	7d	8½d	9½d	10½d pair.

Ribbed Cashmere ¾ Hose, Navy and Black, 4-fold toes and heels—

Size	2	3	4	5	6
Price	7½	8d	9½d	10d	10½d

"TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAINS.

UNTRIMMED MILLINERY.

LADIES' SEE WHAT YOU CAN SAVE BY BUYING NOW.

Black Tucked Chiffon Toques; usual price, 4s 11d; now 3s 6d.
Black Crinoline Hat, with tucked chiffon edge, usual price, 4s 11d; now, 3s 11d.
Black Hats, Gard. Daughter's shape; usual price, 3s 3d and 3s 11; now, 1s 0½d.
Straight Brim Sailors, Burnt Straw; usual price, 2s 6d and 2s 9d; now, 1s 11½d.
Crinoline and Chiffon Toques, assorted colours, usual price, 8s 11d; now, 3s 6d.
Smart Sailor, with slightly turned up edge, in V. Rose, Sky, Pink, Helio., Grey; usual price, 2s 11d; now, 1s 0½d.
Chic Toque, with white roll crown, in Moss, Wine, Pink, Black, Prune; usual price, 2s 9d; now, 1s 0½d.
Gardener's Daughter shape in Brown, Navy, Red; usual price, 2s 11d; now, 6½d.
These or any of our untrimmed Hats, we will trim during Sale at 7½d, instead of 1s 3d; with head lining, 2½d or 4½d extra.
We take same amount of care, and guarantee you satisfaction in trimming your hats, at the reduced price as we do for the full price.

A "TRUE ECONOMY" BARGAIN.

TAILORING.

It is no lottery the way we make Suits. We use only good fabrics. We use only the best trimmings. We employ only skilled workmen. We charge only moderate prices.

For 50s we will make you a Suit of Clothes that will fit and satisfy you. You can make your own choice of Cloths from Serges, Tweeds, Woollens.

THE MODEL STORE, **GRACE BROS.** BROADWAY, SYDNEY.

BUSINESSES FOR SALE OR WANTED.

BUTCHERY, Cutting 40 bodies, 300 sheep, 100 sundries, MOSTLY ALL CASH. Situated main street of busiest suburb. Very well fitted shop, with good dwelling. This business has been successfully carried on by present proprietor for 17 years. Five horses, 4 carts. Price, £550. IVAN HENRY, 134 Pitt-street.

HAIRDRESSING AND TOBACCONIST, best position Pitt-street, average takings, saloon £8 and shop £30, clearing a profit of £500 a year, price £475, any trial. IVAN HENRY, 134 Pitt-street.

BOARDING-HOUSE, situated best position North Shore, beautiful view and gardens, 15 double bedrooms, dining and drawing room, 20 bdrs., price £500. IVAN HENRY, 134 Pitt-st.

BUTCHERY, cutting 24 bodies, 25 sheep, 10 sundries, all cash, well fitted. Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

HAM and Beef, heart of Newtown, doing a large cash bus., price £80. Ivan Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

BUTCHERY, price £100, tkgs. £30 weekly, all cash, rent 35s, shop and 4 rms. I. Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

RESTAURANT AND LODGING-HOUSE: large dining-room, to seat 100 at one sitting, weekly takings in beds £20, restaurant £40, price £550. IVAN HENRY, 134 Pitt-street.

COUNTRY HOTEL, southern railway junction, 160 acres land, lease 7 yrs., rent £50 p.a., very well furnished, no opposition, all 6d drinks, given away, £320. IVAN HENRY, 134 Pitt-street.

HOTEL, opp. new railway station, tkgs. £50 wk., a genuine trade, £600. Ivan Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

HOTEL, corner 5 streets, newly remodelled and renov., tk. £35 w., cash £350. Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

HOTEL, city, never change hands, 6 x 54 Tooth's, rent £4 10s, cash £1150. I. Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

HOTEL, near G.P.O., best 6d house in city, doing £150 wk., £4000, tms. Ivan Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

HOTEL, Balmain, compact house, easily worked, a snap, £160. Ivan Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

HOTEL, Paddington, new house, select trade, cash £475. Ivan Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

RYAN, Agent, 8 Post Office-chambers, 114A Pitt-st, Sydney, opposite G.P.O. Telephone, 3036.

RYAN.—Hotel, absolutely best Redfern corner, takings £75 w., 7 x 36's col., r. £4 10s, £600. Pitt-st.

RYAN.—Hotel, few miles out, 9 yrs.' lease, rent £2, beer t. 4 x 27 xxx wk., t. £25, £275. 114A Pitt-st.

RYAN.—Hotel, alongside larg. ironworks in State, 8 x 27 xxx w., any lease, £2, £170. 114A Pitt-st.

RYAN.—Hotel, a first-class city cor., 15 yrs.' lease, 35 rs., tgs. £100 w., well furn., £1200. 114A Pitt-st.

RYAN.—Hotel, thickly pop. workmen's sub., 8 yrs.' l., b. trade, 6 x 36 xxx w., ing. £330. 114A Pitt-st.

RYAN.—Hotel, South Coast, 8 yrs.' lease, tkgs. £45, £250; Hotel, cntry., t., £80, all 6d, free, £850.

CONFECTIONERY, Summer Drinks, Icecream, etc. Gift. £45. First instance, 21 Charles-st. Enmore.

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TO TIMBER MERCHANTS, CAPITALISTS, AND SYNDICATES.

Owing to the owners retiring, the old-established and well-known Sawmilling and Timber Business of Messrs. Macklow Bros., is for SALE as a going concern. The Mill and Yards are situated in the city of Auckland, close to the wharves and railway station. Included in the sale are large quantities of Kauri, White Pine, Rimu, and Totara Bushes and Logs (together, about twenty-five (25) million feet). Also four Timber Scows. The whole forming a complete, highly profitable and valuable business, in full swing, such as is rarely in the market for sale.

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Auckland, New Zealand.

WARDEN, Hoffnung's-chambers, 163 Pitt-st, next to G.P.O.

WARDEN, 163 Pitt-st.—Hotel, finest corner in leading suburb, bar £65 wk., lease 12 yrs., £875.

WARDEN, 163 Pitt-st.—The Premier Hotel of the Illawarra subs., just in market. Partics. at office.

WARDEN, 163 Pitt-st.—Hotel, important corner at end of 2d section, bar £60 week, £650.

WARDEN, 163 Pitt-st.—At holiday resort, sound bus. and delightful home combined, price £600.

WARDEN.—Hotel, best in the suburbs, bar £35 wk., rent £5, £1700. 163 Pitt-st.

PASTRY, Confec., etc, picked suburban pos. the best in the market, £165. Warden, 163 Pitt-st.

MORFOOT BROS., "THE BIG BUILDING," HAYMARKET. FRUIT MERCHANTS, GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, HOTEL and BUSINESS SALESMEN.

Buyers, come and see us. We are confident we can suit you to your satisfaction, as we are doing daily to others.

MORFOOT, HAYMARKET.

BOARDING-HOUSE, FOR SALE, the GOODWILL and FURNITURE of one of the LEADING FIRST-CLASS BOARDING-HOUSES in the city, very old established, splendid position, immediate possession. Present owner can give satisfactory reasons for selling. Grand connection. NOTHING LIKE it to be OBTAINED. Price, £1800. Takings nearly £3000 per ann. HUGH DUFF and CO., 238 George-street.

MOSMAN.—WYCOMBE HEIGHTS ESTATE, at junction of Old and New Spit roads. Torrens Title. NEXT SAT. R. and H.

JOSEPH and CO., Bus. Agents, estab. 1886.—Largest register Businesses and B.-Houses, 106 King-st.

HIGH-CLASS Boarding Establishment, water-frontage, 25 rooms, tennis court, sea bathing, large grounds, magnificently furnished throughout, very profitable house, any reas. offer. Joseph, Co., 106 King-st.

BOARDING-HOUSE, North Sydney, near ferry, 12 rooms, rent 32s, well furnished, very clean, same hands 5 years, 12 permanent boarders, genuine chance, £190. JOSEPH and CO., 106 King-street.

LODGING-HOUSE, city, 13 rms., rent 30s, same hds 7 yrs., always full, £70. Joseph and Co.

FRUIT, Confectionery, Refreshments, with Greengrocery Run, splen. sub., tkgs. £22 wkly., trial, rent 10s, g. residence, no opp., fixtures, stock, horse, cart, ice-chest, etc., £110. Joseph, 106 King-street.

BAKERY and Smallgoods, sub., tkgs. £30 wkly., proof, same hands 5 yrs., £125. Joseph and Co.

MILLINERY, leading city pos., gen. trade, grand chance practical person, £300. Joseph and Co.

CONFECT., Refresh., and Din. Rms., best position Geo.-st, thor. gen., £250. Joseph and Co.

JOSEPH and CO., Hotel Brokers, 106 King-street, 2 doors from Pitt-st; estab. 1886; Tel., 1346.
JOSEPH.—Hotel, leading tram term., lease 9 years, rent £5, no taxes, draws 4 x 54's Tooth's, £425.
JOSEPH.—Hotel, at works, A1 cor., tkg. £35, £200.
JOSEPH.—Hotel, seaside, big profits, rt. £3, £350.
JOSEPH.—Hotel, D'hurst cor., £30 week, rt 45s, £150.
JOSEPH.—Hotel, Padd'on, 10 yrs., easy rent, £225.
JOSEPH.—Hotel, Sports Grnd., 12 yrs., tk. £30, £275.
JOSEPH.—Hotels, Glebe £90, Wav. £75, n. ship. £125.

NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-st.—Boarding and Lodging-house, 9 rms., 4 lodg., 2 board., £55, tms.

BOARDING Establishment, Darlinghurst, 17 large and splendidly furn. rooms, full supply of linen, etc., permanent boarders, £225, part cash, balance on easy terms. NEEDHAM and CO.

BOARDING-HOUSE, North Shore, 20 rooms, fully furnished, 20 boarders, £300. Needham.

GROCERY and Mixed, leading suburb, shop, 4 rooms, rent 12s 6d, takings £40. £25. Needham and Co.

PRODUCE, Wood, Coal, and Grocery, takings £60, £20 good will, stock at value, £350. Needham.

REFRESHMENT Rooms, takings £18, well furnished and fitted, £75. Needham and Co.

BUTTER Run, 8 boxes weekly, first-class horse, cart, compact run, £70. Needham and Co.

CONFECTIONERY, main street, low rent, takings £8, stock, scales, £45. Needham and Co.

NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-st.—Dairy, 8 cows, horse, cart, doing big trade, £150.

BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT.—We are instructed to offer for Private Sale, the above. The House contains 17 large rooms, elegantly furnished throughout, boarders are paying high terms, £220. BARNARD and CO., Auctioneers, Castlereagh-street.

MUST BE SOLD THIS WEEK.—Now sacrificed for £75, HOUSE of FURNITURE and GOING BUSINESS, refreshments, fruit, conf., and drinks, American marble fountain freezer, fittings and stock, takings £15, references to wholesalers, first come, £75. MASSIE and WADDELL, 180 Castlereagh-street.

RESIDENTIAL Chambers, handsomely furn., choice pos., clears £2, £160. Massie, 180 Castlereagh-st.

NEWS Agency, Stat., and Confec., 1050 papers, over counter, value for money, £165. 180 C'reagh-st.

LODGING-HOUSE, Hyde Park, comf. furnished, always full, £30, snap. 180 Castlereagh-Park sts.

THE WARATAH TEA, GRILL, and LUNCHEON ROOMS, 88 HUNTER-ST, CITY, will be offered for SALE, BY AUCTION, THIS DAY, at 2.30 p.m. Large high-class connection. Proprietress is selling on account of illhealth. H. and A. LAWSON, Auctioneers, Post Office-chambers.

FOR SALE, COACHBUILDING BUSINESS, in one of the best districts in New South Wales. Complete Plant of Tools and Machinery. Exceptional opportunity to secure a good opening. Apply WM. ATKINS and CO., Ltd., 451 Kent-street, Sydney.

A CHANCE to secure a real good paying Business, consisting of Ham, Beef, and Grocery, takings £45 weekly, fresh stock, good dwelling, low rent, horse, c., har., reasonable offer. Whatmore, 76 Pitt-st.

MAIL COACH RUN, 7 horses, 'bus, 3 coaches, sulky, etc., harness, complete plant, goodwill, 3 yrs.' contract, clear profit £4 10s weekly, no opp., must sell, any reasonable offer. H. SWETE, Rookwood.

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GROCERY and Mixed, in best part of Surry Hills, good Residence, rent 12s 6d, a genuine going concern, at warehouse valuation, about £50. Apply early. First with cash gets it. M'Carthy, 53 Hunter-st.

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FOR SALE, up-to-date Dairy and Milk Run, 200 qts. per day, top prices, every convenience, horse, carts, etc, cows, pigs, poultry; must sell, owner leaving district. W. S. CRIPPS, Blackheath.

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CITY, suit Lady.—GRILL and Refreshment Business, gift, £45. Harrison, 35 Castlereagh-st.

MIXED Business for Sale, in good locality, good dwelling, 105 Young-st, Redfern.

SERVANTS' Reg. and Apartmts. Agency, busy part Syd., low rt., sell £5. Servants, P.O., George-st W.

GOOD Mixed BUSINESS, same hands 8 years, d. shop, dwell., low rent, gd. living. Mixed, Redfern P.O.

BUSINESS, Mixed, from £17; Ham and Beef, Lodg. houses. We assist purchase. Leahy, 92 Geo.-st W.

WYCOMBE HEIGHTS ESTATE, MOSMAN, fronting Spit, Wycombe, and Fairfax roads. NEXT SAT. RAINE and HORNE.

O. L. WILLIAMS, 71 Elizabeth-st.—Confectionery and Mixed, fine stand, must sell, £20, bargain.

GROCERY and Mixed, nice stand, rent 16s, 4 rooms, same hands 10 years, price £35. 71 Elizabeth-st.

MIXED Business, well stocked, close L. schools, well-established, £45, genuine. O. L. Williams.

GROCERY and Mixed, doing £25, rent 18s, a good sound business, complete, £100. 71 Elizabeth st.

PASTRY, Tea, and Refreshment Rooms, fine stand, city, nice Residence, doing £20 a week, well fitted, marble tables, and everything in full going order, only £65 as it stands. Williams, 71 Elizabeth-st.

TEA, Luncheon, Wine, and Refreshments, doing a trade of £35 week, best offered, £175. Williams.

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O. L. WILLIAMS, 71 Elizabeth-st.—News Agency, doing 5000 papers, blocked, sell at a sacrifice.

PASTRY, LIGHT REFRESHMENT, ETC. Handsome Shop (Sargent's style), beautifully fitted, marble t. tables, elect. light, etc, nice dwelling, splendid city stand, trade £80 wk. Any investigation, and any reasonable trial allowed. Price £70. GEO. PILE, 20 Castlereagh-street.

BUTTER RUN, 4 bxs., 80 doz. eggs wkly., fine turnout, £50, comp. run. Pile, 20 Castlereagh-st.

BONDI.—GENUINE BARGAIN, in rapidly improving position, close to BEACH, selling through illness, stock and goodwill, £40. Apply OWNER, Bookstall, Central Railway Station.

BOOT TRADE.—Boot-repairing Business, Machine, Lasts, Tools, for Sale. 21 Dowling-st, Padd'on.

PRODUCE, Wood, and Coal Business, owner leaving State, 2 horses, 2 carts, harness, scales, and all plant, good value, £90, lease, rent 15s, will introduce buyer to big connection. P. G. Franz, Crow's Nest, N.S.

HAM and Beef and Provision Business, established connection, busy stand, rent 21s, comfortable dwelling, price £70 for everything. P. G. FRANZ and CO., Crow's Nest, North Sydney.

CONFEC., Drinks, etc., good dwelling, compelled to sell cheap, no offer ref. Prosper, P.O., Wav.

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LOST in city, Gold Brooch, sapp., also Gold Medal, good reward. Handy Store, Cowper-st, Waverley.

LOST, 5-diamond Brooch, between 54 Hewlett-st and Bondi Beach.

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REWARD.—Lost, Tues., Irish Ter. Puppy, white patch on chest. V. Dewhurst, Shadforth-st, Mosm.

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FOWLER.—February 3, 1907, at Glenburnie, Marengo, to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fowler, a son (Henley Frederick St. Clair).

MARCARD.—February 5, 1907, at Kaiser Allee, 21 Berlin, W., the wife of Captain H. M. Marcard, of a daughter.

WAUGH.—February 6, at 62 Mount-street, North Sydney, the wife of Chas. Waugh (Cis), of a son. Both doing well.

MARRIAGES.

BEUZEVILLE—GROVES.—January 23, at All Saints' Church, Tumut, by the Rev. W. D. Kennedy, James, eldest son of the late James Paroissen Beuzeville, of Bombala, to Eva Violet, eldest daughter of Spencer Groves, of Tumut.

SILVER WEDDINGS.

TORR—HAMPSON.—January 18, 1882, at St. Mary's Church, Balmain, by the Rev. T. B. Tress, assisted by the Rev. Henry Langley, of Prahran, Melbourne, Robert MacGregor, only son of John Torr, Balmain, late of Sydney, and grandson of the late Lot Torr, Clumber-street, Nottingham, England, to Eliza, youngest daughter of Kenrick Hampson, of Sydney and London, and granddaughter of the late Squire Hampson, Lambeth Walk, Lambeth, London. Present address Snails Bay, Balmain.

DEATHS.

MILLER.—February 6, 1907, at Leura, Alice, beloved wife of H. J. Miller, Oberwyl, Liverpool-road, Strathfield, aged 41 years.

MILLIGAN.—February 6, 1907, at her residence, 26 Chapman-street, Surry Hills, Robina H. Milligan, dearly beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Park, aged 21 years. At rest.

STEVENSON.—January 28, at her parents' residence, Laurel House, Burrowa, Dorothy Constance, youngest beloved daughter of Isaac Stevenson, aged 10 years and 9 months.

IN MEMORIAM.

BROWN.—In affectionate memory of our darling little Jessie, who died at Randwick February 7, 1902, aged 1 year and 10 months. Dearly loved and ever mourned by her loving parents, Elf and Lizzy Brown.

DAVIDSON.—In sad but loving remembrance of my dear husband and our affectionate father, William Davidson, who was killed at the Colonial Sugar Works, Pyrmont, February 7th, 1901. Inserted by his loving wife and children.

DIXON.—In loving remembrance of my dear and only son, George Henry, who died February 7, 1905, aged 27 years. Inserted by his loving father, George Dixon. Not my will, but God's will be done.

DIXON.—In loving memory of my dear and only brother, George, who died February 7, 1905, at the Coast Hospital, aged 27 years. Inserted by his only sister and brother-in-law, Rose and James M'Kechnie. Till the resurrection morn.

ELLIOTT.—In loving memory of our dear son, Cecil Graham Elliott, who died whilst on active service, Lichtenburg, S. Africa, February 7, 1902, aged 19 years.

Not lost, but in Thy care,
Till by-and-bye we meet.

HARRIS.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our dear mother, who departed this life February 7th, 1906. Inserted by her loving husband and sons, John, Thomas, and Robert.

We saw her suffering day by day,
It caused us bitter grief,
To see her slowly pine away,
And could not give relief.
Not dead to us, we loved her dear,
Not lost, but gone before,
She lives with us in memory still,
And will for evermore.

KING.—In sad but loving remembrance of my dear mother, Emma King, who died at King-street, Newtown, February 7, 1896, aged 62 years. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving daughter, Ada May King.

McCANN.—In loving memory of our dear father, James McCann, who departed this life on February 7, 1901. Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Lizzie.

ROBERTS.—In sad but loving memory of our dear father, John Roberts, who departed this life February 7th, 1893. Not forgotten. Inserted by his loving sons, Edward, Walter, William, Charles, and Arthur Roberts.

ROSS.—In loving memory of our darling daughter, Alice Louisa Ross, who died on February 7, 1906, aged 9 years.

Oh, why was she taken, so young and so fair,
When earth held so many it could better spare;
Oh, hard was the blow that compelled us to part
With our only darling, so near and dear to our hearts.
Think of her bright and happy home,
And the loving Saviour there,
And of the little shining crown
On her brow we thought so fair.

Inserted by her sorrowing father and mother, John and Alice Ross. Loved by all who knew her.

ROSS.—In loving memory of our dear granddaughter and niece, Alice Louisa, who departed this life February 7, 1906, aged 9 years. Inserted by her loving grandparents, J. K. and A. Goodman, also Uncle Herbert Goodman.

I think of you, dear Alice;
No eye can see me weep;
And many silent tears I shed
While others are asleep.

ROSS.—In loving memory of my darling grandchild, Alice Louisa, who passed away on February 7, 1906. Inserted by her sorrowing grandma, Louisa Ross. Dead but not forgotten.

SMITH, ALFRED.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, who departed this life 7th day of February, 1906, at his residence, 96 High Holborn-street, Surry Hills. Inserted by his loving wife and children, Percy, Albert, and Clara.

STONE.—In loving memory of my dear son and our brother, Joseph, accidentally drowned at West Maitland, February 7th, 1901. Inserted by his loving mother, brothers, and sisters.

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IN STATE POLITICS.

It may be well to remind our readers that the year is no longer in its infancy, and that we shall soon have the first two months of it behind us. The reminder is timely, because some of us may be inclined to think that the date of the State elections is still a long way ahead, and that whether they be held in May, June, or July they are not a question of pressing concern. As a matter of fact, the question is so urgent that unless we are at work the fighting may actually have begun while we are turning to think about it. Three or four months is not a great space in which to get ready for a struggle that may have an exceedingly important influence; and though Mr. Carruthers talks of a final session of Parliament the urgency of the call to arms is in nowise affected by any such possible meeting of members in Sydney. That the position is being studied to some purpose in other States is to be seen in the movements of parties both to the north and the south of us. It may be said that the whole of Eastern Australia will appeal again to the electors at about the same time, and both Victoria and Queensland are now concerned with the amalgamation of parties and the closing up of ranks against the coming conflict. In each case it is recognised that the issue of the Federal elections stands good in State politics. Socialism and the aims of the Labour party are still in front, driving moderate men in all classes together; and public opinion is forcing the leaders to sink personal objects and join hands for a common purpose. The outlook in Victoria is apparently clearing up, and little remains between Mr. Bent and Mr. Mackinnon to prevent the coalition which has lately been so earnestly discussed and devoutly wished by thoughtful and farseeing men within and without the State. It is now a matter of give and take—of mutual agreement and concession; and the advantages of coalition so far outweigh the disadvantages of division in face of the common enemy that it will be surprising if the last step is not soon taken. The lessons of the Federal elections have been learned to small purpose if so much should be accomplished in the way of bringing the Victorian leaders together, and the final understanding be found impossible. In Queensland it must be admitted that the prospects are more puzzling. There can be no question whatever about the wish of a majority of the electors. Whatever Mr. Kidston may say about the breach in the ranks of Labour as being temporary, though regrettable, at this distance it seem quite certain that the anti-socialist victories in December were due to a definite and far-reaching reaction. Queensland is sick of the extremes of the Labour party, and is determined to have government upon lines which shall restore confidence and enable the State to develop its resources with a minimum of friction and a maximum of profit. The call, therefore, is to dress the ranks, and place Labour definitely in Opposition or in power.

The first step would appear to have been taken in the understanding between Mr. Philp and Mr. Denham, who were aforetime comrades in a party led by Mr. Philp. The split engineered by Mr. Morgan nearly three years ago has thus apparently been reduced; and as Messrs. Bell and O'Sullivan—both Morganites—remain with Mr. Kidston it may be hoped that they represent a bridge by which the present Government and Opposition may come together. But whether Mr. Kidston is able to see his way or not there should be a fine opening for a united appeal by Messrs. Philp and Denham to a country determined to have moderate government with a sound progressive works policy. Mr. Kidston has proved himself a moderate man by refusing to be bound to the Trades Hall platform, and by his definite rejection of its socialistic planks. On the facts, therefore, he should be with Mr. Philp, though Mr. Denham's action has still to be satisfactorily explained. In Queensland, as elsewhere, it will be found that the personal element is the difficulty. There as here the question of principle admits of little discussion, and what is wanted is a subordination of private ends to public needs. But the politician once in the limelight and enjoying the fruits of power is not to be relegated to the shade without a struggle. He will fight for his own hand though the State go to pieces in the process, and he is as tenacious of office in the one sphere as Mr. Deakin is in the other. Here in New South Wales the issue is as clear as in either Queensland or Victoria. The people are demanding a definite drawing together of moderate men, and socialism is still the main issue. The need of the moment is honesty of purpose, a firm programme of sound measures, backed up by sound administration in the hands of energetic Ministers, and a direct, well-organised movement in the electorates. To this end there should be no game of cross-purposes between the Federal and State leaders. Bickering and recrimination, with the elections so close, only represent reinforcement for the enemy; and unless there is enthusiasm among the rank and file of the party of reform, and ability and self-denial in the leaders, such as are to be found among the forces led by Mr. M'Gowen, the battle may as well be considered decided at the outset. The idea of making concessions to the enemy, of intriguing in the hope of winning a belated victory, and of somehow taking Labour-Socialism in the rear instead of boldly attacking it in front, may be dismissed as useless and hopeless. It is a question now of bold fighting, and it would be a sad spectacle for the Commonwealth if the movement towards a better condition of things in Victoria and Queensland were met in New South Wales by practical surrender to the common enemy.

THE COLONIES AND THE MOTHER-LAND.

There would seem to be some influence in the Colonial Office which leads its political heads to talk poetically about practical matters, and to imagine vain things. We had Mr. Chamberlain a few years ago imploring the electors of the United Kingdom not to refuse the pressing requests of the colonies for the establishment of a preferential tariff. No mortal power could wring from him the names of the colonies in question. Whatever evidence he possessed in support of his reiterated statement Mr. Chamberlain kept greedily to himself. Now we have Mr. Winston Churchill, the Under-Secretary for the Colonies, taking up Mr. Chamberlain's role in a somewhat aggravated form. He does not say that the colonies are hungering for preferential rates; he says that the colonies have already granted them. What colonies have granted them? Canada has adopted a preferential tariff, but when this has been said the last word has been said. Of all the important colonies of the Empire Canada alone has agreed to give preference to British goods, and it is not unworthy of notice that this policy, which may or may not have been dictated rather by jealousy of the United States than by love of the mother country, was adopted before Mr. Chamberlain began his crusade. When this point is borne in mind it is obvious that we must discount the joy which Mr. Churchill says the Government feels about the preferences now afforded Great Britain by the colonies. All his eloquence about the loyal and noble sentiment which prompted the colonies to make the sacrifice which they have not made is thrown to the winds, and neither he nor Mr. Chamberlain can make the colonies believe that they have freely offered or freely given something which they have not yet offered or given.

It is possible that colour may be given to the myth that Australia is yearning to grant preferential rates to the mother country by the presence of Mr. Deakin at the approaching Colonial Conference. But Mr. Deakin, if he goes at all, goes without a mandate from a Parliament which he has not yet consulted, or from the country, which elected the new House of Representatives on quite different issues. Mr. Deakin, the leader of the smallest party in the Lower House, and with only two or three followers in the Senate, represents not Australia but himself. His influence in the Colonial Conference—and it is painful to Australians to have to say this about any Prime Minister of the Commonwealth—will amount to nothing at all if regard be had to the power of public opinion behind him. Mr. Deakin will be simply a consulting member of the conference, whose interference in the business will be tolerated out of respect to his own personal qualities and to the country which he nominally represents. His influence will best be expressed in negative terms. Now, Sir Joseph Ward, who will attend this conference as Premier of New Zealand, will pose more effectively in the public view and in the consultations, because, though his colony is small in area and population, he is undoubtedly its representative. For all we know he may have the New Zealand Parliament in his pocket. He may know exactly what the representatives of the people want, and he may be authorised by them to consent to this or that arrangement. Mr. Deakin is in the humiliating position of being authorised by nobody to do anything. Even if Parliament, soon after its meeting on Wednesday week, were to leave him in office on sufferance, and to authorise his presence at the conference, he would have no authority. Everything he said or did would be subject to the approval of a Parliament in which his party is small to the dwindling point. All this is known to people in Australia, but it is desirable that persons in the old country should recognise that when Mr. Deakin talks at the conference of Australia wanting to do this or that or the other thing he is merely expressing his own opinion, and is not the mouthpiece of the public opinion of Australia.

A CLEAN CITY.

The problem of keeping a great city clean is not one to be solved off-hand, but neither is it to be lightly set aside with contemptuous reference to attempts at cleanliness which fail. Everyone, probably, can call to mind some spick and span little town, which always looks to be in order, and where, it would seem, dirt and dust hardly dare enter. But in a city of the extent of our own, handling a trade so various and so large, and controlled, when we add suburbs that are really an integral part of it, by so many authorities apt not to interlink, this all but utter purity is an ideal beyond attainment. And yet we ought to be healthily dissatisfied so long as we fall short of it. The minor disadvantages of life in a great city are so numerous that we cannot afford to let them grow, and the daily encounter with noise, dirt, and litter of all kinds is perhaps one of the most unpleasant and unpalatable of them. Mr. Frederic Lassetter, indeed, in a letter which appears elsewhere, is almost driven to pessimism by it. He has no hesitation in declaring that Sydney is the dirtiest city of any size he has met with—and he has recently returned from an extended tour. He complains of faulty scavenging, of inadequate flushing of gutters, and of dirty footpaths. Our correspondent expresses himself with characteristic directness, but there is so much truth in what he says that it would be a pity if the Corporation of Sydney and other authorities concerned should spend their energy rather on refuting what our correspondent calls "indisputable evidence of municipal incompetence" than in trying to put matters on a better footing.

The Lord Mayor is of course directly responsible for only a relatively small area. It is true that this area is one whose condition specially calls for comment, and also one in which neglect is specially dangerous, and, in the long run, costly. But the trouble is largely accentuated by the fact that efforts at cleanliness fail to dovetail. It is, for instance, on a dusty day no uncommon experience to find one section of a road passing through several municipalities well watered, while a little further on one is plunged into a vortex of dirt and debris. The trams also are great sinners. It is surely not altogether beyond the scope of engineering skill to limit the quantity of dirt they continuously stir into the atmosphere. It is quite plain, without treating the Lord Mayor and others with undue severity, that our operations on behalf of cleanliness need to be more thorough and better devised; and the city and suburbs would further profit greatly if some common-sense scheme of co-operation could be entered into by the authorities responsible. The present state of things no doubt unfavourably impresses visitors, who see things better done elsewhere. But there are two more cogent reasons for alertness. One is the loss inflicted on tradespeople, and especially on the smaller retailers, by the dust nuisance—a loss which must run up to thousands of pounds annually. And the other is the paramount consideration of health. It is well known that there is no more fruitful source of disease than the fine dust that fills the air of an unclean city. It is, indeed, probable that if we could attain a dust-free atmosphere we should be in little danger from microbes. However that may be, it is quite certain that disease germs of all kinds are largely dispersed with, and inhaled at the same time as, the powdered products of city traffic. The question of the removal of garbage is even more immediately pressing, and in this connection methods are in use still in many quarters which quite certainly should not be tolerated.

ROCK-CHOPPING.

The Water and Sewerage Board was well advised when it decided yesterday, on the motion of the president, to reduce the hours of work of the rock-choppers employed, and to increase their pay. It is in evidence that the occupation of rock-chopping is dangerous to health, and that no matter what precautions are taken in regard to the ventilation of the tunnels in which the men work, the unavoidable inhalation of dust tends irrevocably to the shortening of the workers' lives. It may be said that men who engage in rock-chopping do so knowing all the risks, but no ratepayer, however he may feel the burden of municipal piled on State taxation, would hesitate for a moment in consenting to any alteration in hours of work or in pay which would tend to make the lives of employees happier and better. After all, the man who pays rates is of the same flesh and blood as the man who does the work on which the rates are expended. Nobody in his sane senses would allow any person to work in unsanitary conditions at a dangerous occupation except on terms which were freely accepted as satisfactory. Of course there is a deal of unpleasant work to be done in the world, which somebody must do. If the work is dangerous as well as unpleasant it should be paid for at the highest rate.

The initiative in the desirable reform which the Water and Sewerage Board adopted yesterday was supplied by the Sydney Labour Council, and much credit is due to this body for its action in the matter. The ordinary workman employed by the Water and Sewerage Board, or by the contractors under it, is satisfied to work his eight hours a day and to receive the standard wage. The rock-chopper is on a different footing. The President of the Water and Sewerage Board, himself an engineer with large experience of underground work, declares that, even if efficient ventilation is provided, rock-choppers must inhale a large amount of dust, which eventually kills them. The decision at which the board arrived in the matter is a wise one—wages are to be increased and hours of work to be decreased, but the men are not to be allowed to work more than one shift a day. In process of time, we have no doubt, the dangerous work concerned will be done largely by machinery; but meanwhile it is well that the men engaged upon it should be recompensed for a hard and dangerous calling by larger pay and shorter hours.

A Costly Commission.—Whether the Government treats the tariff reports seriously or not, it is clear that they will be a costly item in the Federal budget. The "Courier" points out that up to December, 1906, the Federal Tariff Commission had cost over £10,000 for fees and travelling expenses alone since it began work in November, 1904. This figure, however, did not include the printing of evidence, reports, etc, which to date is estimated to cost nearly £5000. So that the total cost of the commission at the end of the month will be practically £15,000. By the end of June, when the 30 odd reports now in hand have been disposed of and circulated, the final bill will reach £20,000, if it does not exceed that sum. It has to be remembered that there are eight commissioners. Two of them, Messrs. F. Clarke and Wamsley, draw fees at the rate of £2 2s per day, in addition to 25s a day expenses when away from the State in which they reside. A third commissioner, ex-Senator Higgs, is now entitled to fees, as he ceased to be a member of the Federal Parliament in December. The remainder of the commissioners being Parliamentarians receive 25s a day for expenses. A return of the amounts paid in fees and "expenses" down to June, 1906, gave the following items:—Sir John Quick (chairman), M.P., £403; Mr. G. W. Fuller, M.P., £148; Mr. J. M. Fowler, M.P., £462; Senator M'Gregor, £267; Senator Clemons, £187; Senator Higgs, £307; Mr. F. Clarke, £883 (£453 in fees and £430 expenses); Mr. G. W. Wamsley, £785 (£459 in fees, £326 expenses). Since June last year the commission sat pretty continuously down to within a week or so of Parliament proroguing, but the details of the fees paid are not yet available. Although members from other States had taken up their residence in Melbourne, and some had their homes there, they seem to have been treated as visitors, and to have been able to draw their 25s a day "expenses" all the same.

Erskineville Tramway.—The Minister for Public Works, Mr. C. A. Lee, yesterday turned the first rod of the Sydney-Erskineville tramway, which will cover a distance of about two miles from the Central Railway Station, and involve an expenditure of about £80,000. The line will cut through property (to be resumed) to touch Regent-street. It will then traverse Meagher, Abercrombie, Golden Grove, Wilson, and Burren streets, and loop near the Erskineville Town Hall. Mr. Lee explained that the surveys would be put in hand at once, and that the work of construction would be commenced in March or April. He predicted that the line—which the Railway Commissioners say will pay from the outset—would be available for traffic before the end of the year.

Tramway Development.—Some figures illustrating the development of the tramways were given by the Minister for Public Works and other speakers at the interesting ceremony attending the turning of the first sod of the Sydney-Erskineville tramway yesterday. Mr. Lee took a very hopeful view of the future progress of the system. He said he would have to undertake the construction of six different tramways during the next six months, and he pointed out that the tramways had yielded more than 5 per cent. on the capital invested during the last financial year, the amount earned being £851,000 above the working expenses. Mr. J. H. Catts, M.P., quoted figures which are interesting as indicating the development of the tramways in Sydney and suburbs for the last seven years. In 1899 there were 59 miles of tramways in the metropolis, and in 1906 157 miles. In 1899 the trams ran 1,250,000 miles, and in 1906 they ran 14,000,000 miles. The expenditure upon maintenance in 1899 was £52,800, and in 1906 it was £125,756. The earnings in 1899 were £25,000, and in 1906 £730,500—or, counting Newcastle and Broken Hill, £851,480. The capital invested in 1899 was £771,000, and in 1906 £2,966,000. The interest returned on the capital invested in 1899 was 2.56 per cent., and in 1906 it was 5.99 per cent.

For Closer Settlement.—The Minister for Lands has been informed that a considerable area of the Killarney Estate, in the Narrabri district, owned by Mr. Buchanan, is to be subdivided and offered at an early date in areas suitable for closer settlement.

The Approaching Law Term.—The law list, which has been issued earlier than usual, shows that the work before the Full Court for the opening Term of the year, commencing on Monday next, is fairly heavy, and will probably require all the time allotted for the hearing of appeals, etc. There are four reserved judgments down for delivery, and a considerable number of general motions appear on the paper. There are also 10 motions nisi for new trials, four new trial motions, ten demurrers and special cases, two appeals from convictions, and one Equity and one Divorce appeal.

The Supply of Rifles.—It is satisfactory to note that the Defence Department intends to take action to remedy the deplorable condition of affairs that obtains in connection with the rifles in use in the Commonwealth. The department proposes to substantially increase the number of .303 magazine rifles. On the advice of the Chief of Ordnance, the Minister of Defence, with the aid of a vote for the purpose, is seeking to bring the total of rifles up to 100,000. It was pointed out in the "Herald" recently that, although we had 60,000 rifles, more than half of these were absolutely unreliable, and therefore ineffective weapons, and that the Government had persistently refused to rebarrel the worn weapons. The importation of new barrels has hitherto been at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum, which was altogether inadequate, as more barrels were becoming worn out than new ones introduced. Emphasis was also laid on the fact that our forces were disheartened at realising how little the Government cared for their efficiency as marksmen, and how much more importance was attached to a King's Birthday parade and good marching than good shooting. The intention to procure 40,000 or 50,000 serviceable rifles is belated; but the announcement is made at an significant time—just after officials who are in the best position to know the facts, have let the public know the dangerous weaknesses of the defences, and the total unpreparedness of Australia in this particular respect.

Blocking Immigration.—The efforts of the Immigration League to attract people to Australia appear to be appreciated in England; but the home press points out that whilst this excellent movement is proceeding in one direction the trend of Commonwealth legislation is operating exactly the other way. "There would be more consideration in this country for the needs of the Commonwealth," says the "Yorkshire Post," were there a more manifest desire on the part of Australians to consult our interests." The journal then indulges in a criticism of the Industries Preservation Act and the Commerce Act, and declares that both these measures are destined—if they are not designed—to very seriously hamper British trade. "Any person who enters into a trade arrangement which in the opinion of an Australian justice is intended to destroy or injure by means of unfair competition any Australian industry shall be liable to a fine of £500." "If this is the true effect of the law," the "Post" continues, "surely it is protection gone mad. To say it is a bar to commerce is a very mild expression. It is unfortunate that when Dr. Arthur is appealing to 'the northern land to come over and help us in this our hour of distress,' the governing forces in the Commonwealth are appealing to the narrowest and most selfish local interests by passing these palpably unfriendly measures."

The Australian Workers' Union.—Yesterday the Australian Workers' Union completed the consideration of proposals from the various bodies to alter the rules. When the meeting closed for the day the matter under discussion was the policy to be adopted for the coming season.

Reappearance of Old Cricketers.—The cricket match which will begin on Friday week, between New South Wales—the team that recently defeated Victoria—and the rest of Australia will possess some interesting features. A glance at the selected players (given in our sporting columns) will show that the Australian team is absolutely representative, because it includes players from this State, Victoria, South Australia, Queensland, and Tasmania; but perhaps more interesting still will be the return to first-class cricket of Hugh Trumble (who is just now bowling in fine form), J. J. Kelly (the veteran wicket-keeper), Eady (the Tasmanian), as well as the beneficiary himself, who has recently been batting well. The New South Wales eleven is indeed pitted against a formidable combination. It is understood that all the selected players will be able to take part in the match.

Cataract Dam Water.—A report by the medical officer to the Water and Sewerage Board was presented to the weekly meeting of the board yesterday, stating that analysis of the water in Cataract Dam showed it to be in a very unsatisfactory state, due to excessive vegetable matter. It was anticipated that a prolonged and indefinite period of stagnation would cause improvement in the quality of the water, but in the meantime efforts should be directed towards the prevention of contamination. The president said that this matter of cleaning off the scrub and other vegetation had already engaged the attention of the board, and had also been brought under the notice of the department. The cost would be considerable, and to that cause was due the inaction of the department. He had asked the department to have Cataract reservoir cleared of grass and vegetation, and was met with the reply that it would be a very expensive matter. Mr. J. G. Griffin said no matter what the expense the work should be carried out if they were to have a pure water supply. At present the position was, the more water they ran out of Cataract Dam into Prospect the less pure the supply would become. After further discussion it was decided to again direct the attention of the department to the pollution of the water in Cataract Dam through excessive vegetable matter, and ask that the work of removing the scrub and other vegetation be taken in hand at once.

Garden Sprinklers.—At the meeting of the Water and Sewerage Board yesterday a letter was received from the Horticultural Society of New South Wales protesting against the recent action of the board in reference to the stoppage of the use of sprinklers in private gardens. It was urged that sprinklers were more economical than water ruthlessly used by hose without them, and that the board's recent announcements were more detrimental to the worker than to the garden owner or employer. Horticultural work was hard enough for those who might have to earn their living by it in dry weather without being the first to be penalised in this way through no fault of their own. It was also maintained that much extravagance in the use of water in other directions could be easily found, and that this should be checked, instead of inflicting the penalty always on the tiller of the soil. The letter was received.

Deferred Increments.—The matter of the deferred increments to officers under the Water and Sewerage Board came before the weekly meeting of the board yesterday. The president (Mr. T. W. Keele) stated that he had seen Mr. Davis and the Under-Secretary for the Treasury, and was assured by them that they had done all they possibly could to expedite the matter. The Under-Secretary to the Treasury also said that he had everything ready to submit to Mr. Carruthers; but the difficulty was to get the Premier just now, his attention being so much occupied with other work. Alderman Meagher contended that these increments should have been paid long ago. He moved, as he had done at their last meeting, that the increments be paid out of their advance account, letting the Government take all responsibility as to whether they honoured the board's cheques or not. The president pointed out that to adopt the course suggested by Alderman Meagher would be irregular, and would, in the event of the Treasury not recouping the advance account, leave them in the position that they would not be able to pay their fortnightly wages. Alderman Meagher pressed his motion, and said if Mr. Carruthers chose to create an impasse of that kind the board would not be responsible. Mr. J. G. Griffin considered they would be making fools of themselves to adopt the suggestion to pay the increments out of the advance account, and moved that the board, as a deputation, wait upon the Premier in reference to the matter. After further discussion, Mr. Griffin's motion was carried on the casting vote of the president.

Dental Congress.—The proceedings of the Dental Congress yesterday began at the University with the section of operative dentistry, a number of papers being read and discussed. At the United Dental Hospital of Sydney in the afternoon the clinical portion of the work was proceeded with, the various dental operations being performed by members of the congress upon the hospital patients. In the evening the president of the congress (Dr. A. Burne) gave a well-attended reception at Clifton Gardens, over 400 guests being present.

Dentistry for the Poor.—An important topic in the dental world of Australia to-day is the work amongst the poor. The president of the Dental Congress made an eloquent appeal to his confreres on the first day of the session to take a more warmhearted interest in the relief of poor sufferers from dental troubles. In his annual address at the United Dental Hospital of Sydney the president of that institution pointed to the fact that it had just emerged from a most interesting stage in its development, and was now stronger and more useful for the dental profession and the public. Therefore it was hoped that it would get more support from both bodies. He made a complaint against the Government that the Treasury would not give the subsidy equivalent to the subscriptions, for though the hospital had raised £1100 the Government had paid only £400. The president further recorded the interesting fact that the Sydney institution is the only free dental hospital in all Australia. As a matter of fact, the Dental Hospital has not been popularly conducted in past years, and there have been statements made against it that it was too much a practising ground for beginners, and that patients were asked, by suggestion, to contribute. The reorganisation to which the president refers is partly the obliteration of the objectionable features and partly the establishment of the hospital as the place where all the dental education of the State shall in future be concentrated.

Prosperous New Zealand.—Mr. Kirkpatrick, Chief Secretary of South Australia, referring yesterday to New Zealand, which he has just visited, said that to his mind it merited the appellation bestowed upon it by the late Mr. Seddon—"God's own country." Everything in the colony seemed prosperous, he said, and the people were happy and contented. Speaking of the exhibition, Mr. Kirkpatrick said it contained a splendid display. The Australian exhibits were, however, completely overshadowed by those of Canada. But the part which struck him most was the display in the Art Gallery. It was the best he had ever seen in Australasia. He noticed that several of the pictures had been purchased for New South Wales. An expert is now examining the unsold ones with a view of purchasing some for the South Australian Art Gallery. Mr. Kirkpatrick, while in the island colony, had some negotiations with the Government there on the subject of admitting South Australian fruit. Already a couple of tons have been landed for the exhibition, and as it is disposed of it will be replaced. The question of the admission of fruit generally will not, however, be finally disposed of until after the return of the Premier, Sir Joseph Ward, from the Imperial Conference in London. Sir Joseph will then go into the question of the tariff, and Mr. Kirkpatrick hopes that all South Australia asks for will be granted.

Diminution of Crime.—In the opinion of police officers some of the legislation passed in recent times has had a very beneficial effect, and in certain descriptions of crime they state there has been a diminution. The provisions against habitual criminals have driven away many men who were a constant source of anxiety to the authorities. One officer who has had a good deal to do with criminals expressed the opinion that the latter had been treated far too tenderly in the past, and thought that many of them had left the city for the purpose of getting work in the country. The police also speak of the new Licensing and Gaming Acts as having had an appreciable effect in diminishing the number of serious offences.

Coal for China.—Mr. J. B. Suttor, Commercial Agent in the East, during the course of a report to the Minister for Mines and Agriculture on the trade of China, points out that in 1905 China imported 1,209,858 tons of coal, valued at £1,052,876, a decrease of 40,751 tons, valued at £15,101, as compared with 1904. The importations of Australian coal in 1905 reached 14,154 tons, valued at £20,341, as compared with 1,016,022 tons from Japan, 176,595 tons from Hongkong, and 59,501 tons from England. He adds that Japanese coal holds the market in consequence of the establishment of large coaling depots. The same applies to the coal from England and that sent on from Hongkong. Unfortunately, there are not any statistics kept at Hongkong to show where the coal originally came from—doubtless from Japan and Indian ports. The Australian coal is in high repute, and for steaming and household purposes gives far better results than the Japanese coals. The principal ports of consumption are Shanghai, Kowloon, and Tientsin; but to do business depots must be established.

Exclusive California.—A few plain facts illustrating the severity of the immigration law at San Francisco are volunteered by a passenger who has returned to Melbourne (says the "Age"). He was amongst several Australians who sailed from Sydney in the Sierra on October 15. When the vessel reached San Francisco a doctor looked at him casually and declared that he was suffering from trachoma, an eye complaint. Along with two others, he was obliged to return to Australia in the Sierra. At Auckland he consulted a doctor, who after careful examination certified that he had never had trachoma. Of 46 passengers in the steerage, about 30, he says, were stopped, and he attributes the action of the authorities to a desire to keep out immigrants who are not possessed of considerable means. Regarding the prospects of Australian workmen in San Francisco, he has a very poor opinion. He has visited the Department for External Affairs here with reference to his treatment, but has been informed that he has no redress.

Surf Bathing at Bronte.—Certain parts of the beach at Bronte, writes a correspondent, are dangerous to surf-bathers because a very strong current is always running at the extreme northern and southern ends, more particularly the latter, where the wash coming in towards the centre of the beach swirls round and causes a current to run parallel with the beach, and then sweeps out to sea again. Our correspondent suggests that the council should erect a notice board at the northern end as a caution against bathing within 20 yards of the rocks, and a similar notice at the southern end warning persons against bathing within 60 yards of the rocks; further, that if a second lifeline cannot be provided, the present one should be kept in readiness on the middle beach, and that frequent use be made of it by surf-bathers with a view to rendering themselves expert in handling it when there is occasion.

The large body of French students in Sydney who can read the language with facility, but find a difficulty in following the spoken words, will be glad to learn that Mme. Pognon will on Monday afternoon initiate a series of weekly classic readings at her house in Darlinghurst, as noted elsewhere. "Le Misanthrope" will be read by this Parisian teacher, and after that Moliere's "Bourgeois Gentilhomme."

The Railway Department announces that cheap excursion tickets to the Hawkesbury will be issued to-morrow.

A trial was made yesterday afternoon in Berry's Bay of an apparatus for establishing communication between ship and ship or between ship and shore. In principle it is similar to the ordinary rocket apparatus, but in details of construction it has several differences. It is a gun with a special apparatus for carrying a light line 75 fathoms in length, wound on a special reel. Three shots were fired yesterday from an ordinary rowing boat towards the shore, and the line was properly unwound each time. Several nautical men witnessed the trial, and expressed their satisfaction at its utility. It was introduced into Australia by Messrs. Banks and Green, of Pitt-street, and is called the Cordes life-saving and salvage apparatus.

"A Bondi Surf Bather" writes to warn Bondi bathers that owing to the very high tides and rough seas during last month a long, deep gutter, parallel with the beach and about 20yds wide, has been hollowed out, forming a danger zone that would have proved fatal to a youth last Tuesday but for the assistance rendered by two lads named W. Graham and A. Pirie.

A correspondent writes asking why 14 members of the Royal Australian Artillery were conveyed from Thursday Island to Brisbane by a vessel flying the Japanese flag at a time when two vessels flying the British flag were available.

STATE POLITICS.

A LABOUR REPLY.

TO MR. CARRUTHERS.

The reference made by Mr. Carruthers to the Labour party's fighting platform as a "programme of scissors" is resented in Labour-socialist circles.

Mr. Thrower, M.L.A., who holds a prominent position in the Political Labour League, referred to the matter yesterday, and particularly defended his party against the charge of being opposed to local government. "The Labour party advocated local government," he said, "but not in the form put forward by Mr. Carruthers, and the question as to how far they were right in the position they took up when the Local Government Bill was before the Legislative Assembly is fully answered by the cry for amendment now being raised by the great bulk of the shire councils throughout the State. Prominent members of the Opposition pointed out during the discussion in the Assembly that it was simply a measure to placate members of the northern districts, and now they find the shires in the back country who have been left out in the cold as regards subsidy demanding an immediate amendment of the Act in this direction."

Referring to Mr. Carruthers's assertion that the Labour party's plank relative to the restriction of public borrowing was a "belated policy," in view of what the Reform party had done, Mr. Thrower said that when the bill to authorise the construction of the North Coast Railway was before the Legislative Assembly, the Government majority defeated a proposal that the cost of the work should be defrayed from revenue, and the position now is that this railway may be constructed from loan votes.

"As regards State pensions to residents of over 60 years and to invalids," Mr. Thrower proceeded, "which the Premier claims for the Liberal party, Mr. Carruthers himself introduced a bill to amend the existing Old Age Pensions Act, to provide for an extension of the time of residence in New South Wales to entitle a person to a pension from 25 years to 35 years. He also proposed to make it compulsory for children and relatives of aged people, who would undoubtedly be entitled to pensions, to pay for their maintenance—a proposal, by the way, which Mr. Carruthers described as iniquitous and preposterous when Mr. Waddell endeavoured to introduce a measure embodying the same provisions."

"As regards the Pure Foods Bill, Mr. Carruthers charges the Labour party with having taken this from his programme. It is a well-known fact that the proposal has been on our platform for many years, and yet this important question, notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Carruthers has a solid majority in the present Legislative Assembly, is one that he did not think of sufficient importance to justify him in going on with.

"Free education was a plank of the Labour party's platform before the existence of the Liberal and Reform Association, or of any other State political party. The Labour party supported Mr. Carruthers in giving effect to this instalment of reform. Where Mr. Carruthers has failed is that, while making the primary schools free, he has not attempted to make the path to the University for the student who is the son or daughter of the worker in the community any easier.

"He ridicules the idea of giving the school teacher and the policeman and the State and municipal employees full civil and political rights, and characterises the suggestion as sheer rubbish. It was left to the Labour party to remove the insult which for many years rested upon the shoulders of the men who comprise our police force by giving them the right to exercise the franchise. Experience has not shown that the policeman has not exercised that right, so long withheld from him, in the interests of the well-being of the whole community.

"Mr. Carruthers sums up the position by saying that the platform of the Labour party is not a bad one. Recently the Premier addressed the annual meeting of the Liberal and Reform Association, and one would have expected that he would take advantage of the opportunity to outline the policy of his party for the coming elections. But the probabilities are that Mr. Carruthers desired to wait, as his party has done on several previous occasions, until the Labour party had formed their policy to place before the electors.

"Mr. Carruthers characterises the Labour platform adopted at the recent conferences as a 'programme of scissors.' The conference, at any rate, taking Mr. Carruthers's recent speech at the meeting of the Liberal and Reform Association, would have very little use for the scissors to clip anything from the speech which he delivered. Mr. Carruthers's position may be fairly summed up as that of the political cuckoo who has been watching the Labour conference, and, having no programme to offer to his own people, is quite prepared, as he has been in the past, to take credit for having promulgated something that never occurred to his imaginative brain."

TO-DAY.

Her Majesty's Theatre: "Parsifal," 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal: "Revenge," 8 p.m.
Criterion Theatre: "Home, Sweet Home," 8 p.m.
Palace Theatre: "A Brace of Partridges," 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville, 8 p.m.
Lyceum Theatre: Theatrescope, 8 p.m.
Queen's Hall: Moving Pictures, 8 p.m.
Clay's Vaudeville: Town Hall, Petersham, 8 p.m.
Bohemian Dramatic Company: Hay-street, 8 p.m.
Oxford Theatre: Vaudeville and Pictures, 8 p.m.
Wonderland City: Bondi, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Zoological Gardens: 10 a.m.
The Thripeloleon: Oxford-street, 8 p.m.
World's Touring Cars: Pitt-street, 10.40 a.m.

THE COMMONWEALTH.

ELECTORAL REFORM.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The returning officers of the various States are now in Melbourne reporting personally to the Chief Electoral Officer their experiences during the recent elections. They have been invited to express their views as to how far new methods of administration and change of law are necessary, with the object of perfecting voting procedure. The practice of rejecting votes on the ground of informality will be a subject of discussion.

CENTRAL POSTAL OFFICIALS.

A rearrangement has been decided upon among the chief officers of the Central Postal Department with a view of relieving the secretary of a large amount of small detail work that passes through his hands. Mr. J. Oxenham, now chief clerk, is to be appointed assistant secretary, and Mr. H. B. Templeton, accountant and senior clerk, will be chief clerk. The duties of the accountant are to be performed by an officer to be appointed at a salary of from £420 to £500 per annum. Provision was made on the Estimates for an inspector at £520 per annum, but that office will not be filled.

FEDERAL CABINET.

A meeting of the Cabinet was held to-day, at which the Prime Minister stated a number of administrative and departmental questions were considered, and also some business which will be put in hand at once for preparation for Parliament. The Minister for Customs laid before his colleagues a statement of the progress he had made in connection with the Tariff Commission reports, which were placed in his hands at the close of last session of Parliament.

PERSONAL.

The Premier has promised to attend the Tamworth show in company with the Minister for Lands (Mr. Ashton) on February 20, when he intends to perform the opening ceremony.

Among the passengers from New Zealand by the steamer Riverina, which arrived in Sydney at midnight on Tuesday, was Mr. Kirkpatrick, M.L.C., Chief Secretary of South Australia, who, with Mrs. Kirkpatrick, has spent a few weeks at the Christchurch Exhibition. He will remain in Sydney for a few days, and though the date of his departure for Adelaide is uncertain, it will probably be early next week.

Sir Joseph Ward, Premier of New Zealand, who is on his way to London to attend the Imperial Conference, left Melbourne for Adelaide yesterday in company with Lady Ward and Miss Ward.

An Order in Council was passed yesterday formally reappointing Mr. J. W. Taverner Agent-General for Victoria in London for a further period of three years.

At the monthly meeting of the Sydney College of Music a motion of condolence and sympathy with the family of the late Sir John See was passed.

The mail from London brings word that the Rev. J. Auchinleck Ross was, on December 17, unanimously elected by the board of the Victoria College of Music, London, an Honorary Fellow, in recognition of his services to the college in the Commonwealth.

Mr. J. J. M'Gee has been appointed Director of Labour and Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops in Queensland in succession to Mr. M'Lay. Mr. M'Gee is at present district supervisor of works at Toowoomba.

At a meeting of the Camperdown Council last night, Alderman T. A. Culbert was elected Mayor unopposed.

Mr. Arthur Mason has accepted the post of adjudicator at the eisteddfod to be held at Wallsend this Easter. The district is one in which, owing to the presence of Welsh people, the keenest interest is taken in these musical gatherings, and the decisions of the judge are always eagerly anticipated.

The superintendent and staff of the Central Methodist Mission entertained Mr. H. M. Hawkins, the retiring secretary, at the Centenary Hall on Monday night last, and the Rev. W. G. Taylor, the superintendent, presented him with a handsome set of double entree dishes on behalf of members of the staff, committee, and workers.

The death of the Rev. Alexander Osborne was announced by the Glasgow "Herald" of December 28 last. The reverend gentleman was the first minister of the Presbyterian church at Burwood. He was a native of Glasgow, but his early ministerial career was spent in Australia. Twelve years ago he went to Dundee, in Scotland, and associated himself with public affairs while pastor of the Martyrs' United Free Church, a position which he retired from some short time ago. He leaves a widow and three children.

Sub-Inspector Broderick, who recently retired from the control of No. 11 (Petersham) Police Division, was entertained at a smoke concert at the Petersham Town Hall last night by the police of the division, and was presented with an illuminated address. Mrs. Broderick was also given a valuable souvenir.

A veteran soldier died at New Plymouth (N.Z.) the other day (writes our Wellington correspondent, under date February 2). John Reilly enlisted at Dublin 53 years ago in the first battalion of the 18th Royal Irish, and went to India on the outbreak of the mutiny, fighting at Lahore, Rawal Pindi, Allahabad, and other places. He attended a native school in India, and became proficient in the use of the Hindu language. In 1863 the deceased came to New Zealand, where he took part in the Maori wars. It is worth relating that Mrs. Reilly (who still lives) accompanied her husband throughout a great part of his fighting career. When Reilly was leaving India certain Hindus brought great pressure on him to remain, and he narrowly escaped being kidnapped just on the eve of his departure.

Mr. A. G. Copeland, secretary of the Citizens' Life Assurance Company for Victoria and South Australia, has been appointed to the position of inspector of branches on the head office executive staff, Sydney. Mr. Copeland has been connected with the company for over 18 years.

Captain Evans, the Premier of Tasmania, returned to Hobart on Tuesday night. He states that after travelling over the splendid country of New Zealand he was thoroughly convinced that Tasmania had natural advantages which compared well with those of New Zealand—that was, so far as land, minerals, and scenery were concerned; but the Tasmanian climate eclipsed that of New Zealand beyond conception.

LABOUR DISPUTE AT BROKEN HILL.

MANNING OF ROCK DRILLS.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

A little trouble has arisen in the South Blocks mine over a proposed innovation of the management in the method of breaking ore. Two announcements were made public to-day—one by the South Blocks Company, inviting tenders for breaking sulphide ore by machine and filling into trucks, tenders to close to-morrow afternoon. The second is by the A.M.A., and states: "Warning—All unionists are hereby warned against accepting employment at the South Blocks under a system which the management of that mine is seeking to introduce to the Barrier, viz., one man only to each rock-drilling machine." As a result of the dispute about 15 men have ceased work.

The manager, Mr. Huntley, says that the trouble has arisen out of a misunderstanding. The breaking of sulphide ore started yesterday, and the men were put on wages instead of contract. The machines were baby rock drills, which are worked everywhere by one man. When the men get used to them they would see that one man was quite sufficient. Anyway, the company would only pay wages to one man per machine, though parties on contract could put on as many men as they liked.

THE GERMAN ELECTIONS.

FURTHER SOCIALIST LOSSES.

THE CHANCELLOR EXULTS.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

In the second ballot for the first electoral division of Berlin the polling was:—

Kaempf (Radical)	8053
Arons (Socialist)	4618

In 1903, at the second ballot, Arons polled 6233 votes.

In other second ballots a Socialist defeated a National Liberal at Strasburg. A National Liberal ousted a Socialist at Dresden, old town.

Socialists lost Frankfort-on-Main to the Radicals, who were supported by the Centre (Clericals).

BERLIN'S ENTHUSIASM.

At midnight there was a great procession in Berlin to Prince Bulow's residence, similar to that on January 25, the occasion of the first ballots.

Prince Bulow made a speech, in which he acclaimed the reawakened German spirit, and expressed full confidence in the future. He called for three cheers for German patriotism and loyalty.

The call was answered with tremendous enthusiasm.

The procession then went to the Royal Castle.

GAINS AND LOSSES.

Gains and losses yesterday were:—

	Gains.	Losses.
Socialists	4	15
National Liberals	11	4

Socialists lost altogether 13 seats out of 20 in Saxony.

PAN-GERMAN PRESIDENT DEFEATS SOCIALIST.

General Liebert, President of the Pan-German Union, to whom Prince Bulow addressed, at the end of last year, a letter threatening Germany with a Bonaparte's sword, ousted a Socialist at Borna, Saxony.

THE ARCHBISHOPS' OPPOSITION.

CLERICALS' BOLD REPLY.

The Centre (Clerical) party in Bavaria replied to the opposition of the Archbishops of Bamberg and Munich to the support of Socialists at the second ballot, that "now, as in 1887, there would be reverent submission to the Hierarchy in ecclesiastical matters, but in political affairs the party claimed unrestricted freedom of decision.

Owing to extreme hostility between the Clericals and the National Liberals in Bavaria, principally in regard to the confessional, the Clericals instructed their followers to vote for social democrats at the second ballots. Thereupon the Archbishops of Bamberg and Munich vigorously opposed these tactics owing to the avowed attitude of socialists to religious and monarchical questions.

IN DARKEST THIBET.

SVEN HEDIN'S WONDERFUL JOURNEY

LONDON, Feb. 6.

Dr. Sven Hedin, the Swedish traveller, reports, as the result of his latest and most wonderful journey in Asia, that he has traversed darkest Thibet diagonally. He discovered many new lakes, mountain ranges, and goldfields.

THE AUSTRALIAN STATION.

H.M.S. FANTOME.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

H.M.S. Fantome will relieve H.M.S Penguin on the Australian station on March 31.

LABOUR LEGISLATION.

THE PARTY A FREE-LANCE.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

Mr. Keir Hardie, M.P., leader of the Independent Labour party, speaking at Merthyr Tydvil yesterday, said that the three labour bills introduced into Parliament in 1906, the Trades Disputes Bill, the Workers' Compensation Bill, and the Plural Voting Bill, instead of becoming weaker like others in their passage through the House of Commons had been strengthened because Labour was free to fight a Liberal or a Tory Government as circumstances dictated.

A MILLION TO SCIENCE.

PASTEUR INSTITUTE BENEFITS.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

The "Figaro," of Paris, states that M. Daniel Osiris, a French contractor, bequeathed £1,000,000 to the Pasteur Institute.

RAND UNEMPLOYED.

NINETEEN THOUSAND.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

Mr. J. B. Robinson, of the Robinson group of mines on the Rand, has informed a deputation representing 19,000 unemployed in Johannesburg, that he is giving the clergy of the city £5000 to meet the present wants of the unemployed.

AUSTRALIANS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

ONE THOUSAND TO BE REPATRIATED.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Deakin, stated today that he had under consideration a proposal to repatriate a number of Australians who are said to be in bad circumstances in South Africa owing to lack of employment there. Mr. Deakin has had an interview on the subject with Mr. Bent, the Victorian Premier, and is also communicating with other States, and he has reason to believe that co-operation will be agreed to. It is understood that the proposal is that one thousand Australians should be brought back at a cost of about £7 per head for passage money, that the Federal Government should make arrangements and pay half the cost, that all the States should pay the other half, and that it should be a condition that the returning Australians who could afford to do so should contribute towards their passage money. Arrangements will probably be made with Archibald Currie and Co. for their passages.

POLITICAL TACTICS IN ODESSA.

BLACK HUNDRED RAID.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

Fifteen armed members of the Union of the Russian People (The Black Hundred) raided the offices of the Party of Peaceful Regeneration in Odessa, and seized 40,000 lists belonging to the party's electoral candidates.

Members of the Union of the Russian People terrorise the city and commit innumerable outrages.

PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

IMPERIAL MINISTRY'S ATTITUDE.

PRESENT CONCESSIONS HIGHLY VALUED.

A COMMON GOAL.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies, speaking at a dinner of the Leeds Chamber of Commerce yesterday, drew a lesson from the disaster at Jamaica, and from a score of needs elsewhere, that it was urgent to establish a squadron of warships of some sort or other to patrol the outlying possessions of the Empire.

The system of commercial conferences started by the late Government would be extended and made regular, bringing practical business men throughout the country into closer relations with high officials of the Colonial Office. There should be on all sides unrestricted freedom and frankness at the Colonial Conference.

The Government, Mr. Churchill said, valued highly the preferences already afforded us by the colonies, because of the loyal and noble sentiment prompting them, because they were freely given, because many of the colonies were thus able to make some return to the motherland for the great expenditure in common defence.

The Government sympathised with and supported the growing practice of intercolonial preference, because it involved a lowering of duties, and facilitated an approach to intercolonial freetrade, which was a goal both of tariff reformers and of freetraders in Great Britain.

SECURING PARTY UNITY.

COMPROMISE SUGGESTED.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

The "Morning Post" says that if it is necessary to make sacrifices to secure party unity tariff reformers might exclude a duty on corn from the first instalment of the proposed scientific tariff, giving the colonies a limited preference by means of low duties on other produce and meat.

A CALL TO THE GUELPHS.

QUEEN DOWAGER'S WILL.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

The will of the late Queen Dowager Marie of Hanover invokes a Divine blessing "on all our faithful subjects for bravely bearing aloft more firmly than ever in misfortune the banner of our holy right, despite the bitterest persecutions."

The "Cologne Gazette" declares that only the Duke of Cumberland could be responsible for the publication of the will, and it bids the Guelphs of Hanover and Brunswick to ask themselves how this provocative publication can be reconciled with the Duke's professions of loyalty to the Empire.

AN ENGLISH RIFLE TEAM.

PROPOSED AUSTRALIAN VISIT.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

The National Rifle Association is appealing for subscriptions to make up an amount of £3000 to send a team to Australia.

Sixty notable shots have expressed their willingness to go.

The council of the association has contributed £250, Lord Cheylesmore £50, and the Prince of Wales has promised to subscribe.

A CLAIM FOR COMMISSION.

THE KING'S COLONIALS.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

John Warmington sued Colonel Wallace, late commandant of the King's Colonials, for £250, the amount of an alleged commission for procuring a donation of £5000 from Mr. Horlick, of a malted milk firm, for the regiment's funds.

The plaintiff also alleged that Colonel Wallace promised to put Mr. Horlick's name before the Prince of Wales for a knighthood.

The jury returned a verdict for the defendant.

FRENCH MISSION AMBUSHED.

IN MOROCCO.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

The Zenega tribe ambushed a French hydrographical mission in Morocco on the River Sebu, but friendly native horsemen enabled the members of the mission to escape to Rabat, on the coast, though some were wounded.

THE AMEER'S TOUR.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

The Ameer of Afghanistan is immensely enjoying his visit to Calcutta. His disregard of conventionalities and his free manners are astounding everyone.

IRISH UNIVERSITY.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

The National Directory of the Irish National League has passed a resolution welcoming the scheme outlined by Mr. Bryce for a University for Ireland.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

FIRE IN CHEAPSIDE.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

A fire in Wood-street, Cheapside, destroyed several warehouses stocked with Manchester goods, silks, and woollens. The damage is estimated at £150,000.

FEMALE FRANCHISE OPPONENT.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies, in the course of a speech at Manchester declared that he would not give women the same franchise as men.

PRIVY COUNCIL APPEAL.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council has dismissed without costs the appeal in the case of Ward Bros.' versus the Attorney-General of New Zealand

MEAT FALSELY TICKETED.

At the Clerkenwell Police Court yesterday, before Mr J. R. W. Bros, S.M., William Frederick Masters, a meat contractor of Smithfield, was charged with supplying the Hertfordshire County Lunatic Asylum with River Plate mutton falsely ticketed as New Zealand. Mr. Cameron, of the New Zealand Agency, supported the prosecution.

Defendant was fined £5, with £25 costs.

REFORM OF THE LORDS.

THE GOVERNMENT'S SUMMONS.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

In the customary letter to Government supporters on the eve of the opening of Parliament, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Prime Minister, states that the attention of the House of Commons will immediately be called to matters of grave importance.

The message is interpreted as referring to reform of the House of Lords.

A PEER'S SCHEME.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

The "Daily Telegraph" states that Lord Newton is drafting a bill for the reform of the House of Lords. The bill proposes to include in the House of Lords ex-Ministers and some others who have served the State, also the election of a number of Peers by delegation similar to the election of Scottish and Irish peers in the present House of Lords.

Lord Newton's scheme was outlined in the "National Review" for December. A scheme much on the same lines is proposed by the "Spectator," which considers that an amendment of the House of Lords must be in the first place based on the system adopted under the two Acts of Union in regard to the Scottish and Irish Peers. That is, the fundamental reform must be to make the English Peers and the Peers of the United Kingdom who sit by hereditary right, and not because they have themselves been raised to the peerage, elect a proportion of their number to sit in the reformed House. Then all persons who have been created Peers should sit, all Peers who have held office in any Administration should be entitled to sit, and Peers who have attained offices of distinction in the State should also be entitled to sit. Church leaders should have a seat. A body constituted in this way, the "Spectator" believes, would prove not only a strong revising body, but would also contain a large proportion of Liberal Peers, or, at any rate, of Peers who would not be inclined to take their orders from the leader of the Opposition in the Commons when a Liberal Government was in office.

A MINISTER'S ADVOCACY.

Sir W. S. Robson, Solicitor-General, speaking at Shields last night, advocated placing a strong non-hereditary element in the House of Lords.

THE TRIAL OF THAW.

THE PLEA OF INSANITY.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

The trial of Harry Thaw, a millionaire, charged with the murder of Stanford White, another millionaire, was continued at New York yesterday.

The first medical witness on behalf of Thaw, after giving evidence in favour of the theory of hereditary insanity, was severely cross-examined regarding his medical knowledge and experience. Other witnesses were called in support of the plea of hereditary insanitay.

The Judge presiding at the trial provisionally sustained the contention of Mr. Jerome, the State Prosecutor, that the evidence of hereditary insanity was irrelevant.

EXPLOSION IN A COLLIERY.

THIRTY PEOPLE KILLED.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

An explosion occurred in Davis's Colliery, West Virginia, and 30 workmen, most of whom were foreigners, were killed.

THE TALLOW SALES.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

At the sales of Australian tallow to-day 1167 casks were offered and 619 were sold. Prices were: Mutton, fine 39s 3d, medium 35s 6d; beef, fine 37s 6d, medium 35s per cwt.

VIOLENT THUNDERSTORMS.

RAIN IN THE SOUTH.

ROUGH SEAS PREDICTED.

A series of severe thunderstorms passed over the highlands and along part of the coast yesterday afternoon and evening, and at some places there were heavy falls of rain. On the Blue Mountains the storms were very violent, and a sensational incident is reported from Katoomba, where two visitors narrowly escaped being carried over the Leura Falls by the terrific flow of water. Within the space of 20 minutes 86 points of rain were registered, while at Lawson, eight miles nearer Sydney, upwards of an inch was recorded. On the other hand, Mount Victoria, further on, received but 37 points.

The thunderstorm reached the city early in the evening, and at about 10 o'clock at night there was a good downpour of rain, the conditions still being unsettled at midnight. Up to 9 p.m. only six points had been measured at the Observatory. The lightning was very vivid, and there were heavy peals of thunder at frequent intervals.

Rain which made its appearance early in the morning at Euston and Hay, in the far south-west, extended during the day over Riverina and the southern districts generally, among the records supplied to the Observatory at 6 p.m. being:—

	Points.		Points.
Albury	44	Hay	18
Cooma	13	Hillston	12
Deniliquin	23	Taralga	54
Forbes	48	Tocumwal	52
Goulburn	75	Wagga	8

Boisterous north-easterly winds ruled during the latter part of yesterday, and strong squalls were experienced on the harbour in the evening. Rough seas were running at Port Stephens last night, and rain was falling at 8 p.m. at all coastal stations south of Sydney.

The Meteorologist states that pressure distribution at 9 a.m. yesterday showed that another closed-curve depression is in course of formation over our western districts. Strong winds are already noticeable on both sides of this depression, while the high pressures on the advance and rear sides should sustain the necessary energy to develop boisterous conditions over our southern and south coastal districts, bringing up rough seas between Sydney and the southern capitals as the disturbance moves eastwards.

Present indications favour stormy E to NE winds, veering later to SE, with rain squalls associated with thunder over the southern and south coastal districts. Finer conditions are likely over northern areas.

SENSATIONAL EXPERIENCE.

WASHED DOWN A TORRENT.

KATOOMBA, Wednesday.

A tremendous thunderstorm passed over Katoomba on Wednesday, 86 points of rain falling in 20 minutes.

A miraculous escape from drowning occurred at the Cascades, Leura Falls. At about 4 o'clock a party of picnickers were enjoying afternoon tea, when the rain came down in torrents. The waters rose 4ft in 20 minutes, and washed a lady off her feet, and carried her down the stream.

A gentleman present, seeing her perilous position, plunged in to her rescue, but he could not withstand the volume of water, and was hurled down the Cascades. The two were forced through the rapids to a log bridge, where, very fortunately, they were blocked and saved from certain death, as Leura Falls is only 30 yards distant from the spot. Both escaped with a few bruises, but they are suffering greatly from shock.

COOMA.—Steady rain set in on Wednesday afternoon.

GOULBURN.—During a thunderstorm on Wednesday 71 points of rain fell in four minutes.

MOUNT VICTORIA.—South and south-west thunderstorms passed over on Wednesday. In all 37 points of rain were recorded.

KILLED BY A SHARK.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Wednesday.

William Hutcheson, civil engineer, Dunedin, was killed by a shark while bathing. The tragedy was witnessed by his wife and mother.

PAPUA ADMINISTRATION.

SQUABBLING OFFICIALDOM.

REPORT OF ROYAL COMMISSION.

ADMINISTRATION SEVERELY CENSURED.

CHANGES RECOMMENDED.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The report of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the affairs of New Guinea was furnished to the Prime Minister to-day. The commission consisted of Colonel Kenneth Mackay, Mr. W. E. Parry Okeden (ex-Chief Commissioner of Police in Queensland), and Judge Herbert (of the Northern Territory). It was appointed on August 27, 1906, to inquire into the present conditions, including the method of government of the territory, and the best means for their improvement. During the last session of the Federal Parliament, when the question of the appointment of a permanent administrator was being discussed, the qualifications of Captain Barton, Acting Administrator, were criticised by members of both Houses. This was one of the main reasons for the appointment of the commission.

ADMINISTRATOR'S COMPARATIVE FAILURE.

The report is very voluminous. The most important portion of it refers to Captain Barton. Upon this point the commission says:—"It appears to your commissioners that while Captain Barton cannot be charged with by direct action discouraging agricultural or mining development, he has yet failed to do all a sympathetic administrator, untrammelled by personal prejudice for and against certain members of the Public Service might have accomplished. The division of his staff into two classes, one—from his point of view—for, the other always against, his policy has been the keynote of his comparative failure as an administrator. Personal prejudice towards those he counted as friends or enemies, in the main unwarranted by the action of either, has so clouded the broader question of outside interests that your commissioners rather wonder that he has accomplished what he has in the direction of general development. The result of our personal observation and close investigation has more than satisfied us that Captain Barton's conclusions as to the disloyalty of some of his officers, apart altogether from their incorrectness, have had a most paralysing effect on his general administration, with the natural result that time most urgently needed in the public interests has aften been wasted in personal squabbles and mutual recriminations between officials, and that, further, in their efforts to prove each other in the wrong both Administrator and certain of his officers have not infrequently lost sight of the main object of their existence

NATIVE RIGHTS VERSUS SETTLEMENT.

"But, apart from all these considerations, we are of opinion that in his undoubted desire to promote native interests he has not kept before him as much as is desirable the question of white development. A glance at expenditure will show that the former question has overshadowed the latter in his view of local administration. Sympathy with and defence of native rights is alike commendable and necessary, but the fear that such will be imperilled by the introduction of mining. Settlement of whatever kind is a weakness alike unnecessary and fatal to the future of Papua. The administrator who even by inference or opinion allows such a view to clog his policy must fail. Any man, to successfully administer Papua in the future, must put behind him most of the late Crown colony traditions, and fully realise that changed conditions have to be faced, involving not only the presence of a large number of white settlers of every class, but also their active encouragement and speedy and satisfactory bestowment. To bring about this state of industrial progression he must not only be personally sympathetic, but also possessed of sufficient administrative ability and impersonal fairness to command not only individual respect, but also the hearty co-operation of the service not only with each other, but also as a whole with himself. But while admitting that qualifications so demanded are not readily found combined in one man, your Commissioners deeming them to be absolutely necessary, and unfortunately in some respects lacking in the present administrator, cannot in justice either to the Commonwealth or to Papua recommend his present retention in his present office."

THE RICHMOND CASE.

John Richmond is chief Government Surveyor of New Guinea. In August, 1905, he charged the Administrator "with dishonorable conduct in wilfully adding words to an official document with the object of concealing his own blunders" and "with the unlawful use of powers conferred upon him in ordering the destruction of certain official papers and minutes with the object of removing all evidence of his own incapacity in this particular case." The Commissioners investigated the case. They find that neither of these charges was justified, and having regard also to the intemperate language in which they were made are of opinion that the Administrator was justified in the course he took in suspending Richmond, and in referring the matter to the Federal Government.

CAPTAIN BARTON'S CLASSIFICATION.

Dealing with individuals in the Public Service, the report states that the two senior executive officials in the territory form notable examples of Captain Barton's method of classification of officers, into two classes—those who are for him and those who are against him. The Government Secretary, Mr. Musgrave, it continues, has been so systematically and unfairly snubbed and suppressed as to subvert discipline and almost completely to destroy his authority and prestige in the service. While the Government Secretary's special training and long official experience had enabled him to more than hold his own with his pen, there was evidence in his office that he had developed in an inordinate degree the habit of reducing to writing almost every subject he had to deal with. To such an extent was this noticeable that it bordered on absurdity, but it had to be borne in mind that he was driven into this position by the fact that he dared not step over the line of what might almost be termed passive resistance into the arena of responsibility without certainly being in some manner humiliatingly repressed. On the other hand, the Treasurer Mr. Ballantine was a prime favourite of the Administrator's. He had certainly been guilty of many official and other acts deserving of severe censure at the hands of the Administrator. From those that were official he had escaped scathless through minutes worded by the Administrator so as generally to throw the onus of responsibility with implied or direct censure on the Government Secretary. Other acts reflecting on his position in the service had been excused. Whenever any difference between the Treasury and the Government Secretary's Department arose, Mr. Ballantine had almost a stereotyped formula of request that the matter might be referred to the Administrator. The effect of this state of affairs had been to contract the sphere of usefulness of the Government Secretary, and proportionately to extend the disorganisation and misrule.

At some length the commission dealt with the case in which the commandant of armed native constabulary was defended by the Administrator from certain charges made against him. Taking into consideration all the circumstances that have come to the knowledge of the commission, they have no hesitation in saying that Mr. Bruce should not have been retained in his position in the service after his serious offences.

REORGANISATION RECOMMENDED.

Recommendations for the reorganisation of the Public Service are made in the report. The department of the Government Secretary should, it is submitted, be one through which all territorial affairs should pass for admission to the Administrator. The officer holding that position should be a man of special knowledge and bright experience, who could always be relied upon to be thoroughly informed on matters of administration. The Commissioners found the records in the Government Secretary's office in great confusion, but this was attributed to the fact that in many instances the Administrator had procured files of papers from the Government Secretary's office concerning matters then in action, and had left the Government Secretary in complete ignorance of subsequent action. The present Government Secretary had a good official training and long service under various Administrators, and they feel assured that he could for another year faithfully perform his duties, and should reorganisation be determined upon, his experience of territorial affairs would prove most useful to the administration. They therefore recommend that Mr. A. M. Campbell, at present resident magistrate in the eastern division, should be appointed to the Government Secretary's Office, with a view of his succession to Mr. Musgrave.

PAPUA A DUMPING GROUND.

In regard to the method of making appointments to the Public Service, the report reads:—"Judging from some of the instances of incapacity, and even worse faults, which have come under our notice, in seeking for causes to account for past blunders and present official ineptitude, we have come to the conclusion that in the past Papua has at times been regarded as a convenient place in which to lose certain men who are not wanted elsewhere, and we can only express our belief that owing to the strong leaven of conscientious and capable officers the condition of things is in many cases better to-day than might be expected. It is hard to understand why some men were placed in positions for which they had no qualifications, and in which they could do and did incalculable harm to white prestige. We fear that social influence has not been an unknown quantity in making appointments to the Public Service."

To avoid such possibilities, it is suggested that all future appointments should be placed in the hands of the Public Service Commissioner of the Commonwealth, but that in other respects the service be kept absolutely distinct from that of the Commonwealth. In view of the fact that Papua is now a territory of the Commonwealth, that its upkeep, and probably some day its defence, will have to be paid for with Australian money, and possibly Australian lives, the Commissioners consider that it is only right that Australia should, other things being equal, be given the right to man its service and direct its administration. Australian officials would, too, be more in touch with local standards of thought than the average imported Englishmen could hope to be.

A LIQUOR MONOPOLY.

While the commissioners are heartily in sympathy with the spirit that prompted the framers of the Papua Act to insert a provision that no new licenses for the sale of liquor in the territory were to be granted after the commencement of this Act, they felt that abuses might be created by the retention of the provision. A monopoly in the liquor trade had already begun, and there was no reason why this should not extend until the whole liquor trade of Papua was actually, if not nominally, in the hands of one man. The native races had never evolved intoxicating drink, and the whites in their own interests would not encourage natives to drink liquor, but people who would smuggle or erect illicit stills would not be likely to help the Government in this respect. The Administrator, therefore, should have power to grant licenses in special cases.

THE TARIFF.

The existing war of tariffs between the Commonwealth and Papua is held to be a glaring inversion of the one basic principle of the Constitution. The Commonwealth was retarding the development of Papua by placing its products on the same footing from a Customs standpoint as those of other countries.

CONDITIONS IN BRITAIN.

DR. RENTOUL'S VIEWS.

GREAT POPULARITY OF THE KING.

THE TENDENCY TO PLEASURING.

PERTH (W.A.), Wednesday.

Dr. Rentoul, who is returning to Melbourne in the mail steamer Marmora after 10 months' holiday, stated to an interviewer at Fremantle yesterday:—"Perhaps the first thing to strike one on returning to England after a number of years' absence in relation to English public and political life is the immense personal popularity of the present King. It is not easy to define the various reasons for this great popularity and confidence reposed in him. It exists in every section of the United Kingdom and in Ireland. Also, if Irishmen are dissatisfied with the method of England's rule in Ireland, feeling certainly is not at all against King Edward personally. The striking thing is that all Roman Catholic Irishmen believe that he himself is disposed to grant a friendly hearing towards the national aspirations of the Irish people.

"Another thing which strikes one about public and social life in England, and also in a degree in Scotland, is the change of mood produced by the wonderful dispersion of wealth, bringing with it a more luxurious mode of living. I think these conditions foreshadow difficult times for Government and churches, and for all modes of religious and earnest life. There is a difference in the form of amusement, and a tendency to turn even Sunday into a day of pleasuring and amusement, which did not exist to the same extent 20 years ago in England. I dare say that this may have something to do with the curious conditions of political parties, and though we talk, of course, of the two great parties, Conservative and Liberal, in reality these terms no longer convey accurately the condition of affairs.

"The so-called Conservative party is largely made up of non-coherent modes of opinion—for example, those who would follow Mr. Chamberlain's tariff motion, and those, such as the Duke of Devonshire, as well as many genuine Tories, who still adhere ardently to the British principle of freetrade. Then, on the Liberal side there is a considerable proportion of backers of the present Government who cannot really be called Liberals, at any rate, in the Australian sense. They represent large manufacturers and propertied classes to a great degree. On the Liberal benches is to be found the young Anglican Liberal party, strongly Liberal in theory, but churchy in religious outlook. Then, again, there is the working man's party, with a certain trend in some of its sections towards socialism, which would be regarded as a very mild specimen in Australia. This condition of things made it specially difficult for Mr. Birrell to carry in anything like its original shape his Education Bill. At the same time, it is made quite certain that the rejection of that bill by the House of Lords will precipitate more speedily a conflict with that House, and lead to an absolutely necessary readjustment of that House, so as to make it more representative of genuine British opinion, instead of being as at present simply representative of the prejudices of the landlord and titled classes.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

PARLIAMENT FURTHER PROROGUED.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

The State Parliament has been further prorogued until May 2.

CYCLONE'S TERRIFIC POWER.

LOSS OF KETCH PILOT.

PORTIONS OF WRECK FOUND.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The Melbidri returned to Cooktown this afternoon from the search for the crew of the Government ketch Pilot, which was wrecked during the late cyclone. No bodies or traces of victims have been recovered, but the main portions of the wreck have been discovered washed ashore at Cape Bedford. The keel and ribs were found some 60ft above high-water mark on the south side, a portion of the deck, about 20ft long, to which a pump was attached, was found here, while two other portions were found on the north side, and on Low and Woody island respectively. The Pilot evidently became dismasted, for marks of a tomahawk could be plainly seen on the sheet lanyards and rails of the vessel, indicating the frantic efforts of the crew to get clear of the wreckage.

The seas, which, according to survivors of the Marion, were 60ft high on that fatal night, must have swept entirely over Low, Woody, and Two islands, judging by the thousands of dead birds and the amount of debris lodged in the treetops. Portions of the reef off Cape Bedford must literally have been torn away, for high above high-water mark on the mainland are strewn tons of coral, pumice, sharks, clamshells, wallabies, and birds of all descriptions. Huge trees were uprooted, leaving holes 10ft deep. It is impossible that any human being could have lived in such a turmoil. The conditions seem to indicate that the cyclone was assisted by submarine volcanic eruption, accompanied by a tidal wave.

RIFLE TEAM FOR BISLEY.

METHOD OF SELECTION.

At last night's meeting of the council of the National Rifle Association the question of selecting the New South Wales representatives of the Bisley team was considered.

It was decided that the selection should be carried out as follows:—Every rifleman in the State who is able to take the trip is to be invited to send his name in to the N.R.A. before the 20th inst. Out of the nominations received a sub-committee, consisting of Captain Beardsmore, Lieutenant Lindeman, and Mr. E. J. Brown, will select 20 men to fire a series of tests at Randwick on March 5 and 6. The competition will be two shoots under the Kolapore Cup conditions, seven shots at 200, 500, and 600 yards, and two shoots under the M'Kinnon Cup conditions, 10 shots at 800, 900, and 1000 yards. The council of the N.R.A. will then pick the team, which is not necessarily to consist of the three top-scorers in the test.

The following donations towards the Bisley rifle team have been received by Lieutenant H. Dakin, secretary of the National Rifle Association of New South Wales:—

Subscriptions acknowledged	£264 10 2
Woolumen Rifle Club	1 1 0
	£265 11 8

NAVIGATION CONFERENCE.

MR. WATSON'S WITHDRAWAL.

NO SUBSTITUTE APPOINTED.

MR. DEAKIN'S DEFENCE OF THE DELEGATION.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The Federal Cabinet to-day decided not to appoint any delegate to the Imperial Navigation Conference to fill the place of Mr. J. C. Watson, leader of the Federal Labour party, who is unable to go. The following statement was made by Mr. Deakin in explanation:—"The Government regret extremely that Mr. Watson, in spite of renewed representations made to him since his arrival in Melbourne, finds himself unable to leave Australia at present, for reasons that are purely private and non-political. At the time when our invitation to him was sent I had no knowledge whether he would agree to go. We had no previous communications on this matter. His appointment was sought simply because of his personal qualifications, and his high standing in the House. Undoubtedly the passage of a Navigation Bill would have been materially assisted here if he had been able to take advantage of the opportunities afforded by attendance at the conference. His visit would have been very valuable in making the British public men and the British press acquainted with him. Speaking generally, although he was not chosen in relation to any particular interest before the conference, his ability and intimate knowledge of Australian public affairs, and the Australian sentiment, would have greatly helped its deliberations and also have been most useful beyond it."

Referring to the public disapproval of the personnel of the delegation, Mr. Deakin said that the main questions to be determined at the conference, as per the memo prepared by the Customs Department, were legal and political, and before the Australian Parliament could legislate several highly important questions of jurisdiction would have to be determined, after which there would have to come questions of policy, as, for instance, in regard to coastal trade. Finally a number of matters, he said, would call for consideration in detail, affecting either shipping, shippers, or those engaged upon the merchant shipping, intended to be controlled. "On this last set of issues," continued Mr. Deakin, "expert evidence is essential, but that relating to Australia has recently been exhaustively collected and commented upon by our Navigation Commission. It has been embodied in a bill, and is now being revised by the Comptroller-General of Customs. So far as New Zealand is concerned, its appearance upon the conference is not associated with any proposals for fresh legislation, and hence its interests in the proceedings are very different to our own, both in character and extent.

"The value of the conference to Australia, apart from the settlement of the great constitutional and legal issues involved, is directly and indirectly political. We have as yet no Commonwealth Navigation Act. We have a draft bill which, subject to resolutions of Parliament, will be laid before the present Parliament, and probably discussed next session. Our Navigation Commission having so lately obtained and collated evidence in all parts of the Commonwealth from all classes of persons connected with our mercantile marine, whether as shipowners, consignors or consignees of goods, officers, engineers, or seamen, there is no need to have this repeated by sectional representatives on our delegation. The majority and minority on that commission are both represented by delegates who have studied the matter from all points of view. The Minister who will be in charge of the Navigation Bill on behalf of this Government, and upon whom we rest the responsibility of carrying it through Parliament, will necessarily represent us. Having in view the fact that, so far as Australia is concerned, all the work to be done at the conference is merely in preparation for work to be done in the Federal Parliament, and must necessarily be political work, our delegation has been deliberately chosen so as to provide most effectively for our own share in it. Our nominations are distinctly the best possible in our circumstances."

VICTORIA.

THE BUILDING TRADES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Gradually the amiable relations which existed between the contractors and workmen in the building trade prior to the strike are being re-established. Inquiries show that the charges made against the contractors of refusing to pay back money were exaggerated.

RAISING THE WIND.

It was decided to-day to hold a bazaar to raise funds to contest seats in the Labour interests at the approaching election.

THE WOOL SALES.

The great attraction to-day at the wool sales was the Overflow clip, consisting of about 1800 bales of red, fine-haired merino from the Cobar district. No fewer than 233 bales of fleece realised 11½d, and 148 bales 10¾d.

CHAMPION SCULLERS.

AT WORK ON THE NEPEAN.

There was a good deal of interest in George Towns's first row on the Nepean, which took place yesterday forenoon. The weather was warm, and there was a light breeze down the course. Towns had reached Penrith the day before, and, with his brother Charles, was out for a solid row over the full course, which is three miles and a quarter. This means that the scullers have to row about six miles or more to do the course, which is from near Glenbrook Creek to near the railway bridge across the Nepean. Towns rowed steadily up the stream, then turned, and at a solid stroke of about 26 per minute, pushed along at a good pace. His brother was alongside all the way, rowing very well. The champion rowed a fine length of stroke, and put in excellent leg work, his blade work being clean and skilful. There was no attempt to spurt, but the weight was on the sculls all the time. Towns has two boats with him, and will race in the one he used in his last race against Stanbury, which suits him very well in salt water, and is expected to be equally satisfactory on the fresh water of the Nepean. Towns is in quarters at Tattersall's Hotel, Penrith, and is comfortably placed. He is rowing twice daily, in all some 12 miles or more, but will not do much work on land. He is looking very well, and says he feels just as well as he looks.

Durnan was out with Stanbury, and is doing just as much work daily as his rival. The Canadian was using Nielsen's boat, which appeared to carry him very well, although she was rather high out of the water. Durnan rowed very well, and with that easy grace which has always marked his sculling. He is reaching out well, and gets a good lift during the swing home, with very powerful leg work, and generally has improved on what he showed on the Parramatta. Stanbury looks fleshy, but was putting in some strong work, rowing stroke for stroke with the Canadian. Durnan says he has no fault to find with the weather, and was never better in his life. He certainly looks very well, and is as cheerful as ever. His weight keeps just about right, and he has nothing to worry him.

Very few people have been on the course so far, but a great number are expected to visit the river during the last two weeks' training. Towns and Durnan, with the Penrith committees, will shortly arrange several matters of detail in connection with the fixing up of enclosures along the river banks, the letting of booths, and the general control of the crowd, which may reasonable be expected at so very interesting a race.

ALLEGED ARSENICAL POISONING.

WEE WAA, Wednesday.

The body of Christina Francas Roden, who died from alleged arsenical poisoning some two months ago, was exhumed this morning by Sub-inspector Blackburn, under instructions from the head of the Police Department. Dr. Service conducted a post-mortem examination, removing certain organs, which were forwarded to Sydney for analysis.

A unique event, "Motor car procession at a country show," is illustrated in the current issue of "The Sydney Mail."—Advt.

TOLL TELEPHONES.

THE NEW SYSTEM GROWING.

"AN EXPANDING SILENCE."

The official pronouncement regarding the reception by the public of the toll system of telephones is, though guarded, that it is popular. Applications for conversion from the flat rate to the measure rate are coming in ahead of the capacity of the department to make the changes. Private subscribers and small business subscribers supply nearly the whole of these applicants, so far because the larger business houses are counting their calls before resolving on a change. The minimum toll charge of £5 works out at between five and six calls per day, 1000 calls being allowed each half-year. As the number of calls increase the charge is lower in proportion, on the sound trade practice of a reduction for taking a quantity. But there is no maximum charge, so that a very busy firm would have a large fee to pay.

There is a point that the department seems to have overlooked, which may operate against it. Under the flat rate there are many business houses which have two or more telephones at £9 a year. Under the toll system they will take good care that the maximum of calls will be crowded on to one instrument, so that the full benefit of the reduced rate shall be enjoyed. Those houses may be compelled for the convenience of persons calling them to have more than one instrument, but if so each extra set will have its 1000 calls per half-year and no more, while to clear the way for the full burden of outward calls on one set it will not be accessible for inward calls. In such a way business houses will probably find that the toll system will cost them very little more than the flat rate. That is not a suggestion of the department. The official suggestion is that subscribers will save money under the toll system by the exclusion of "strangers" from the telephone-box. Many subscribers have from time to time implored the department to help them to "shunt off" the "on the nod" telephone talker. They dare not say no for fear of hurting the tender susceptibilities of a customer.

SILENCE IS GOLDEN.

But already there is a marked difference in the number of calls. The toll is doing good work. Already 552 subscribers are on the new system, and the reports from the switch-board show that the number of calls has fallen markedly. It is possible to strike only a general average, because prior to the introduction of the toll system calls were counted for each "position" or hundred lines, once a month. They were not counted as against each subscriber. But the attendants are fairly familiar with their "shutters." They know the growling shutter and the demure shutter, the excitable and impatient shutter, and the mild-mannered shutter, who would stay down unanswered an hour rather than vibrate again. They know the shutter that loves to talk because talking is cheap, and they report a sudden but quite accountable reticence on his part. It may seem strange that the department is pleased that the toll system is going to remove from Australia the stigma, if there is one, of being a talkative nation. The motto of a telephone department ought to be "talk is dear to you and dear to us." But the department prefers to increase the number of subscribers, and have as little talking as possible. The Victorian Telephone Department used to say that it did not pay to increase the subscribers' roll—that a short roll paid the best. That point seems to be shrouded in mystery, and it is hard to say to-day whether a telephone system is a profitable investment or not. If it is really a philanthropic institution, the straining of private companies throughout the world to add to the switchboards is only modern altruism, and the Postal Department of the Commonwealth is, after all, giving a bonus to the people each time a subscriber is added. In New South Wales the department must be very generous, because there are just on 20,000 telephone lines to subscribers in the State, with some 20,500 telephones. The old view was that anything over 4000 meant a loss; if that is so, New South Wales should be thankful for the bonus, and not complain at the toll charges.

THE METER'S POTENTIAL TROUBLES.

There is a good deal of apprehension outside the department—of course the department itself is never apprehensive; it knows all is well—as to the promised introduction of automatic recorders of calls made. In the meantime some of the attendants are grumbling at the extra work the notation of calls is giving them. For each effective toll call they have to write a docket. The authorities were much surprised yesterday to hear that there was any grumbling. They had heard only expressions of pleasure by the attendants that the number of calls had fallen off, and they took it that the docket writing did not want so much time as the extra connections that had formerly to be made. Inquiries seem to point to the fact that the one thing balances the other, and until the "automatic" recorders are installed the attendants will not be worked into a decline under what a lady delegate to the Labour Parliament called "an eternal grind that spills the life blood out of us drop by drop." And the apprehension of the public with regard to the fidelity of the "automatic" recorder in recording effective calls only is also baseless. They have merely to grasp the fact that the automatic recorder is not an automaton at all, and the rest is easy. It is an electrometer of some sort, and with a dial face, and each subscriber has one at the exchange end of his line. On an effective call being made, the attendant records it on the meter. It is a mechanical, not an automatic recorder, and probably subscribers will have a new battle added to their annual wars with meter men. The recorder will have all the best of it, because it is well out of sight of the subscriber, whereas the gas meter and the water meter are at hand to be detected in any flagrant peccadilloes.

A GLANCE UNDERGROUND.

So far, 665 old subscribers have applied to be transferred to the toll system, and of course for new subscribers the toll is mandatory. There are, roughly, 20,000 subscribers in the State, of which 12,700 are connected with the city and the metropolitan district exchanges; 2780 are country exchange subscribers; 3400 are on extension lines; and about 900 are on private lines. The heavy city and metropolitan connection has impeded the underground laying of lines, but a good deal of progress has been made with that work, though it would be hard to make the man who walks with his head in the air credit the statement. Yet it is said that but for the tremendous increase in the business of the past few years the whole service would be subterranean. There are now ten or eleven miles of tunnels. There is a system of tunnels from the G.P.O. up to Cheapside, Newtown-road, with one branch going to Newtown Post-office, and another to the Glebe. There is a system which goes up Oxford-street, Paddington; another which goes to the top of King-street, and is then continued by conduit past William-street Post-office to Edgecliff. A tunnel goes down Pitt-street to the Royal Exchange, and a system goes up Barrack-street, along York-street, Kent-street, Sussex-street, down as far as Liverpool-street. There are conduits from Martin-place to Dawes Point. The tunnel is the capacious-lined excavation; the conduit is the cable laid in insulation just under the surface of the street. There are 155 miles of cable underground with conductors (telephone wires) to the extent of 10,347 miles. There are 61 miles of aerial cables with 3403 miles of conductors. A complete underground system would not mean the abolition of all overhead wires, but it would go a long way in that direction. There would be distributing posts at intervals. The cable would be tapped, and the conductors carried from the top of the pole radially direct to the destination of each.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

ONE APPRECIATIVE VISITOR.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Sir John Sherbourne, formerly Mayor of Hull, who is now touring the British Empire, is at present in Melbourne.

In course of an interview to-day he said Australia was the finest country on earth. He had never seen anything like it before. Australians had been subjected to much unfair criticism, and they would stand comparison with any community in the world. He sympathised to the fullest with the determination of the people to keep Australia as a white man's country.

One of Sir John Sherbourne's suggestions for the betterment of Australian and English trade is the subsidising of a direct line of shipping between this country and Hull.

THE PLAGUE.

THE OUTBREAK AT KEMPSEY.

ANOTHER SUSPICIOUS CASE.

Advices received by the Board of Health yesterday with respect to the outbreak of plague at Kempsey were to the effect that the patient, Rachael M'Lean, is in a very serious condition. Her case has been officially pronounced plague in septicaemic form. Dr. Woolnough, who has charge of the arrangements on behalf of the Health Department, wired yesterday that one of the men engaged in the cleaning operations had been taken ill, and as plague was suspected the man had been sent to the local hospital for treatment and observation.

THE POSITION IN SYDNEY.

PLAGUE RATS DECREASING.

The plague patient, B. M. Edwards, who had been employed in premises in Barrack-street, prior to his admission to the Coast Hospital on January 8, was yesterday discharged cured.

Dr. Ashburton Thompson, president of the Board of Health, states that quite a few infected rats are now being found amongst the large numbers that are daily examined at the board's laboratories. This is said to be due to the extensive cleansing operations carried out by the local authorities on the advice of the Health Board's sanitary inspector. On the other hand, Dr. Thompson points out that a considerable number of putrid carcases have been found, and it is not possible to give a definite opinion as to the cause of death, though in most cases it was probably plague. Nevertheless, there seems to be ground for hoping that the infection was discovered before it had spread very extensively, and consequently the action of the City Council may result in checking the outbreak.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Board of Health the destruction of 1070 rodents during the week was reported, and the finding in addition of 27 plague-infected rodents at nine different places, rather widely separated from each other, but all in the centre of the city, was mentioned.

Attention was drawn to the fact that as soon as premises were recognised as infected with plague, either by the finding of plague rats or by the occurrence of cases upon them, it turned out that they presented internally wainscottings, unnecessary ceilings, and other structural fittings which are well known to harbour rats, although the presence of such dangerous fittings had long ago been recognised in this connection, and had even in 1903 been made the subject of a special bylaw by the City Council. It was considered that the facts referred to showed inadequate enforcement of the law in the cases of the buildings referred to, and argued similar inadequacy in relation to buildings in general. It was acknowledged that in a considerable number of cases ceilings and partitions had been removed, and, it was assumed, had not since been replaced, but the frequency with which they were found still remaining as soon as the occurrence of the disease rendered special examination of premises necessary made it desirable that the attention of the local authority for the city should be drawn to it. It was understood that some special inquiry among the executive staff would be made for the future, so as to steadily enforce the bylaw, not merely during times of plague, but all the year round in a systematic way, which, it was expected, would ultimately result in freeing warehouses and large and small places of business from the danger adverted to.

The attention of the board was also drawn once more to the long delay which was occurring in the facing of Darling Harbour with an impermeable sea wall, notwithstanding the board's urgent representations in the matter. It was pointed out that although no doubt not a cure for plague, the sea wall was essential in order to give other preventive measures fair scope, and the many occasions on which the board had forwarded formal resolutions to the Government were remarked upon. A length of harbour front had already been so faced by the Harbour Trust, not in a continuous line, but in intermittent patches, and on making a comparison it was found that the total length which required facing was very much greater than the small part which had been done or was under order to be done. The plague maps attached to the last four reports of the board (on which the places where plague rats were first found in each year, and were subsequently found throughout the year, are spotted) were considered, and it was pointed out that these graphic representations showed beyond doubt that the Darling Harbour wharf line is the point where our infection always first makes it appearance, and is also that point from which it always spreads into the city, and sometimes very much further away, as, for instance, at the present time, to Kempsey. It was regretted that the precise information which the board had gathered during the years mentioned had not effectually taught the lesson which they so obviously conveyed, and it was directed that further representations on the subject should be made.

A report was received from the medical officer of health, Hunter River district, that during the four days, January 30 to February 2, he had examined 225 rats trapped by the two ratcatchers furnished to the Municipal Council of Newcastle, and had found them to be free from plague.

It was directed that the payment of a capitation fee for rodents should be recommenced again in Sydney as early as possible.

NO PLAGUE AT ULMARRA.

The suspicious case of illness at Ulmarra reported some days ago and which terminated fatally has been definitely ascertained not to be plague, nor in reality to have resembled plague at all. Most careful inquiries made up and down the Clarence River have shown that the rats are not plentiful, and that there is no hint of an unusual mortality amongst them. It was a false alarm, which is regarded as being very much to the credit of the watchfulness of the medical men of the district. It is considered necessary to emphasise the fact that there is no plague at Ulmarra, in consequence of the fear expressed to the Department of Health by persons living at places that have trade connections with Ulmarra. Dr. Ashburton Thompson says there is no ground for fear.

ALLEGED CUSTOMS FRAUD.

THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CASES.

ADDRESSES OF COUNSEL.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

In connection with the Customs case, Mr. Nesbit, K.C., continued his address this morning. He dealt with the statement made to the Court by Charles Tucker. The defendant, he said, had professed ignorance of moneys being paid into his account. Was it possible he did not know his income was being swollen by £1700 a year from a source he was unaware of? He asked the jury to assume from Tucker's statement to Powers that the Customs business was his all along, and that he could have resumed it whenever he liked. Forwood's was a pitiful plea in extenuation of frauds which he wished them to believe were the product of his own brain and ingenuity.

Mr. J. R. Anderson, counsel for the defendant Forwood, addressed the Court at length, and pointed out that the prosecution had failed to prove an agreement between the accused to do an unlawful act.

Sir Josiah Symon began his address in the afternoon. He said the evidence had been driven over and over again. It seemed that a course had been adopted, not for the speedy and effective administration of justice, but to prejudice the minds of the jury, to saturate them with inferences, and make points by repetition in a way which would make it difficult to disabuse their minds. It was evident from the attitude of the prosecution that they did not care about Forwood—they wanted bigger game (Tucker), and stopped at nothing to secure it. He could understand how the Customs authorities felt when they found the whole Customs system rotten to the core. He could understand how they wanted to find a scapegoat. Only £9000 out of the £23,000 alleged shortage was traced to Tucker's account, and the jury were asked to conclude that because Forwood when arrested had only £5 Tucker had the rest. Tucker, however, was a penniless bankrupt. It would be time to go into explanation when the charge against the accused had been proved, and he asked the jury to say that the case had not been proved against them.

Sir Josiah Symon will continue his address to-morrow morning.

NEW SOUTH WALES BOWLERS IN NEW ZEALAND.

DEFEAT OF CHRISTCHURCH.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday.

The New South Wales bowlers defeated a combined Christchurch team by 102 to 94. Scores:—

New South Wales, Roarty, 22; Christchurch, 20.

New South Wales, Sutton, 31; Christchurch, 16.

Christchurch, 31; New South Wales, Goodwin, 26.

Christchurch, 26; New South Wales, Phippard, 23.

NEWCASTLE.

PRESENTATION TO CAPTAIN NEWTON.

FROM CITIZENS OF NEWCASTLE.

THE PORT CRITICISED.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

A large number of citizens representative of the shipping and commercial interests of Newcastle assembled in the Mayor's room at the Council-chambers to-night for the purpose of according Captain Newton a fitting farewell, and to mark his promotion from the position of Deputy Superintendent to Superintendent of Navigation at Sydney.

The Mayor (Alderman A. H. James) eulogised the great services which Captain Newton had rendered to the port of Newcastle during his official connection with the Navigation Department here, extending over 30 years, as Harbourmaster and Deputy Superintendent. The large assembly of citizens present testified to his friendly relations with all sections of the community. He asked their guest to accept from the citizens some tokens of their esteem in the shape of an illuminated address, a silver salver, and a polished oak cabinet containing a complete set of cutlery.

Numerous other speakers, including Aldermen Moroney and John C. Reid, Dr. Goding, and Messrs. E. Flynn, I. Winn, W. Scott, and T. A. I. Braye supported the toast of "Superintendent Newton."

Captain Newton, in responding, said he had worked conscientiously during his term of office for the advancement of the port of Newcastle. There had been a good deal done for Newcastle, but there was much more to be done in the way of improving the status of the port. The entrance should be deepened, so as to allow the largest steamers trading to Australia to enter, and there was a crying need for the erection of a dry dock.

Captain Newton then proposed "Success to Newcastle," and in the course of his remarks said he would do all in his power to promote the interests of the port.

Captain Hacking, Deputy Superintendent, in supporting the toast, advocated the construction of a graving dock, so that vessels could discharge here, effect repairs locally, and then load their cargoes.

Captain Cumming also supported the toast, which was responded to by Alderman Hall, who in dealing with the port suggested that an engineer should be brought from abroad and give an independent opinion as to the deepening of the entrance. He advocated an independent board of control for the management of the affairs of the port.

Captain M'Corquodale, pilot, also responded, and said that only a few days ago 16 tramp steamers were in port, most of which had a draught of 23ft, and it was only the pilots who knew the difficulties to be met with when dealing with these vessels.

A vote of thanks to the Mayor concluded the function.

WINDOW-BREAKING EPISODE.

At the Newcastle Police Court to-day, before Mr. G. F. Scott, S.M., Charles Collins, 44 dover, was charged with maliciously damaging three window panes at Newcastle on the night of February 5, the property respectively of Mr. H. A. Hawkins, valued at £25, Scott's, Limited, valued at £25, and John Blackburn, valued at £7.

Constable J. M'Pherson gave evidence as to the arrest of defendant. On being charged at the police station, defendant said, "Guilty; I broke them all." He had half a brick under his coat. Witness examined nine windows that night, all of which were broken. Defendant had been peculiar for about a week.

After further evidence, defendant was committed for trial on the three charges at the Newcastle Quarter Sessions on February 11.

COAL TRADE EXPORT.

The following vessels cleared at the Customs-house to-day:—Karori, s, for Regatta Point and Kelly's Basin, with 580 tons coal; New Guinea, s, for Melbourne, 3350 tons coal; Zamora, s, for Manila, 5953 tons coal; Glenesk, s, for Junean (Alaska), via Sydney, 3512 tons coal; Melbourne, s, for Lyttelton, 2300 tons coal; Jarlen, sh, for Valparaiso, 2383 tons coal; Drumcliffe, s, for San Francisco, 6478 tons coal; Winfield, s, for Melbourne, 5300 tons coal; Jessie Craig, bq, for Auckland, 802 tons coal.

Mr. W. H. Marshall, for eight years telegraphist at the Post-office, Newcastle, has been transferred to the Royal Exchange Post-office, Sydney.

CASUALTIES.

DEATH OF A WOMAN.

The City Coroner, Mr. A. N. Barnett, held an inquiry yesterday into the circumstances surrounding the death of Mary Amelia West, a married woman, which occurred at the Sydney Hospital on January 30. The evidence showed that death was caused by blood poisoning following upon a certain event. An open verdict was returned.

REMARKABLE SHOOTING CASE.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

A remarkable shooting case was reported to the police to-day. Benjamin Smale, painter, while working on the Queen's Wharf this morning, was shot in the left arm, the bullet, it is believed, having been fired from a passing train. A constable proceeded to the Flinders-street station to search for anyone carrying a rifle, but the train had been cleared before he arrived. The bullet passed through the fleshy part of Smale's arm, and the wound is not serious, the victim being able to go home after receiving treatment at the hospital.

MINING MISHAPS.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

Two accidents occurred at the Proprietary mine last night. Walter R. Busby, a miner, had his arm and back badly injured through a fall of earth at the 900ft level, and William Wright, labourer, had his left arm caught in a conveyor belt in the re-treatment plant, and had it badly torn. Both men were taken to the hospital.

KURRI KURRI, Wednesday.

At the inquest on the body of Robert Fenwick, who was run over on the railway near Heddon early on Saturday morning, a finding of accidental death was entered.

THEFT OF MONEY.

A PUBLICAN CONVICTED.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

At the Sessions to-day, the jury in the case of Samuel George Bryant, hotelkeeper, and his son Samuel Ernest Bryant, charged with stealing £153, the property of Henry Yeates, after four hours' retirement, returned with a verdict of guilty against the elder prisoner, and acquitted the younger. The elder prisoner was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment with hard labour, his Honor stating that the sentence would have been lighter but for the perjury committed by the prisoner and others. Of the £142 produced in court £82 was ordered to be returned to Yeates, the balance to be returned to the place whence it came, unless the prisoner made an order for its disposal to his son or wife.

AMUSEMENTS.

WONDERLAND CITY SKATING CARNIVAL.

The fancy dress skating carnival to have taken place on the open-air rink at Mr. Anderson's Bondi resort, was postponed until to-night, owing to the storm that occurred last evening. The carnival will be given in complete detail this evening. The rink has been prettily decorated with coloured lights, and Mr. Matson, the amateur champion on roller skates, will give an exhibition of his perfect balance in fancy evolutions. Madame Flaro, engaged to appear at Wonderland City on Saturday night next in a sensational act, arrived from Melbourne on the express train yesterday.

NORTH SYDNEY ORPHANS.

The one hundred and eighty-fourth "Wail" was held at the North Sydney School of Arts on Tuesday. The president (Mr. D. H. Gilfillan) occupied the chair. The programme was carried out with Mr. G. Edward Sykes at the piano. The artists included the North Sydney Orphans' orchestra (conducted by Mr. Bruce), Mr. George Grimm, Mr. Lawson, Dr. Maguir (senior vice-president), Mr. Edward Irving (songs), Mr. Bryce Carter ('cello), Mr. Grieves (violin), and Mr. Edward Wright (recitations and imitations of actors). During the interval the president congratulated Mr. Sykes (a member of the club for 14 years) upon his recovery from his recent illness, and proposed his health, which was drunk with musical honours. Mr. Sykes suitably responded. The president notified the members that the committee were arranging to hold a ladies' harbour "Wail" as soon as possible.

TOWN HALL ORGAN RECITALS.

The City Organist opened his recital at the Town Hall yesterday afternoon with Rheinberger's 12th Organ Sonata, for this voluminous writer of classic, yet always melodious, pieces, composed no fewer than 20 of these great compositions. Mr. Mason was probably moved by the charm of the Pastorale in his choice of No. 12, whilst he realised all the imposing grandeur of the final movement. The artist was down on the programme for an improvisation. In this he introduced the Austrian National Anthem, which he developed effectively, a splendid crescendo before the resumption of the theme being especially successful. Another favourite piece on the programme was the overture to "Oberon" which was brilliantly rendered as regards executive facility, besides being characterised by a profusion of well-contrasted tones in the wood-wind department. The classic recital closed with Bach's splendid "Fugue in E flat," generally known as "St. Ann's." On Saturday night the City Organist will play the "Storm Fantasia."

Accidents happen in every home, such as burns and scalds. Your best remedy is Josephson's Australian Ointment. Sole makers, Edw. Row and Co.—Advt.

ERSKINEVILLE TRAM.

TURNING THE FIRST SOD.

SUCCESS OF THE TRAMWAY SYSTEM.

ADDRESS BY THE MINISTER FOR WORKS.

The ceremony of turning the first sod of a tramway, which the Railway Commissioners anticipate will pay from the start, was performed opposite the Erskineville Town Hall yesterday afternoon, by Mr. C. A. Lee, the Minister for Works. The event was evidently regarded as one of great importance along the route through which the procession of drags passed. The calvacade, led by the Sobraon Band, was cheered enthusiastically, while bunting was displayed from many private houses, as well as from public buildings and business places. Here and there, too, streamers of flags were stretched across the route, and at the division of the municipalities of Darlington and Erskineville—the intersection of Abercrombie-street and Golden Grove—there was a guard of honour of some 2000 school children (boys), drawn from the two schools, headed by a juvenile fife and drum band. The Mayors of Erskineville, Darlington, Redfern, and Newtown (Aldermen W. Robinson, J. Spring, J. O. Batchelor, and H. N. Howe respectively), and Messrs. A. Mitchell and T. G. Wright, the hon. secretaries, of the demonstration movement, along with the aldermen, met the Minister at Rawson-place, Haymarket, at 3 p.m.

Mr. Lee was accompanied by Mr. J. Kneeshaw, the Tramway Superintendent. Parliament was represented by Mr. J. H. Catts, M.P., Mr. N. Hawken, M.L.C., and Messrs. E. W. O'Sullivan, P. H. Sullivan, P. M'Garry, R. Hollis, J. R. Dacey, and J. F. Smith, Ms.L.A. The City Council was represented by Aldermen Meagher and Barlow, and Mr. Layton. The route taken for the drive (which is the one decided upon for the tramway), was from the Central Railway Station to Regent-street, down Meagher-street to Abercrombie-street, thence into Golden Grove to Wilson and Burren streets to the Erskineville Town Hall. There will have to be some resumptions effected near the Central Railway Station to touch Regent-street, and also to complete the loop, which it is proposed to make at the Erskineville end. On the whole, the construction of the line is expected to involve an outlay of something over £80,000. The work of surveying is to be put in hand at once, and the line will, it is expected, be available for traffic before the end of the year.

The Minister, before turning the first sod, referred to the work done by Messrs. Sullivan and Hollis to have the project brought to a head. From what he had seen of the population, and by the report of the Railway Commissioners, he had no hesitation in saying that the work would be justified by the traffic. He expected to have executive authority next Tuesday to commence with the work, and he would have surveys made immediately. He expected to have tenders called in time to have the construction put in hand by the end of March or the beginning of April, and he told them that they could expect to have the tramway opened for traffic before the end of the year. He mentioned with regard to revenue results that the tramway system of the State had now assumed big figures. The last report of the Railway Commissioners showed that 126 miles of line were open for traffic. The capital cost had been about £3,667,000, and the earnings during the last financial year had amounted to £851,000 after paying working expenses, thus giving the very handsome return of a little more than 5 per cent. on the capital invested. Without doubt our tramway system had proved to be one of the conveniences of the age. During the last financial year 135,000,000 passenger journeys were made on the system, and the indications from the later quarterly returns of the Commissioners (completed to the end of December) showed that the traffic was still growing. The returns for the first half of this new financial year disclosed an advance on the first six months of the previous year equal to something like 5,000,000 passenger journeys, the aggregate for the six months being nearly 75,000,000 journeys.

The Mayor of Erskineville (Alderman W. Robinson) on behalf of the residents of Erskineville, Darlington, Redfern, and Newtown, presented the Minister with a silver spade, and with this Mr. Lee performed the ceremony of the day. An adjournment was made to the park, where there was an exhibition of physical drill and maypole dances and a sham fight between the cadets of the two schools, Darlington and Erskineville. Mr. Lee addressed the gathering.

THE BANQUET.

A celebration banquet was held at night at the Oddfellows' Hall, Wilson-street, Newtown. The Mayor of Erskineville, Alderman W. Robinson, presided, and there were about 250 people present. The toast of the Minister for Works was proposed by Mr. Thomas Clarke, formerly member for Darlington.

Mr. Lee, who was well received, said he had been impressed with his visit, and he was glad to candidly admit that he had been more than surprised by what he had seen. He had knowledge of the early history of Erskineville, and thoroughly appreciated its great march of progress. He had no doubt that the tramway would pay from the first day. Already the country had a great asset in its tramway system. Good as the electric system now was, it might happen that something better would be evolved for the next generation. But the fact remained that it was the best of the present age. The claims of the people had only been met when the Parliament of the country granted this tramway. (Hear, hear.) It was surprising to him that this line had not been constructed a long time ago. The Engineer-in-chief had told him that there would not be one hour's delay. The work of construction would be put in hand in March or early in April. No political accident could now prevent this tramway being constructed, for the Treasurer had already provided the money. (Cheers.) Parliament had assented to a very extensive tramway policy. In the suburbs of Sydney he would have to undertake in the next six months no less than six different tramways. This would mean that by judicious management the Government would be able to offer a steady amount of work. But he was not going to do anything that would tend to disturb work in the country districts and bring men into the city. Whether it would be his lot to open this tramway or not, he could say that he felt proud of the honour of being able to start it. (Applause.)

Mr. T. Fanning proposed "The Federal and State Parliaments," which toast was responded to by Messrs. W. M. Hughes and J. H. Catts, Ms.P., Mr. N. Hawken, M.L.C., and Mr. R. Hollis, M.L.A.

Mr. P. H. Sullivan, M.L.A., proposed "Success to the event we celebrate—the Sydney-Abercrombie street-Erskineville tram."

The toast, "The Sydney, Redfern, Darlington, Newtown, and Erskineville councils," was proposed by Mr. N. Hawken, M.L.C., and supported by Mr. P. M'Garry, M.L.A. The Mayors of the municipalities responded.

RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY MEN.

Preparations are being made for the annual general meeting of the Amalgamated Railway and Tramway Service Association, which is to be held at the Trades Hall about the middle of the month. The general secretary, Mr. Catts, M.P., has notified the association that he is prepared to continue in office, and the meeting will be asked to alter the rules to allow him to do so. Some of the resolutions to be submitted are that fettlers and gangers should be allowed 12 good conduct holidays in the year, and that they should be supplied with oilskins. It is also intended to ask that watches be furnished to all gangers. An effort will also be made to obtain overtime payment at union rates for all Sunday and night work. Further, it is to be suggested that the Commissioners be urged to make the conditions of employment such that men in the lower grades shall, if they show sufficient ability, have an equal chance with other employees of rising to the highest position in the service. Another suggestion is that the association take steps to notify the employees affected of any vacancy that occurs in the service.

NATIONAL INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODDFELLOWS.

The annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of the National Independent Order of Oddfellows was held on Friday in the Queen's Hall. The financial report for the year showed that the receipts for the year amounted to £1026 16s 7d, whilst the expenditure was £337 3s 5d. The interest earned by the funeral fund amounted to £233 12s 8d, and the expenditure of that fund was £180 8s 8d. Thus the interest paid all claims and increased the capital account by £53 4s. The election of officers resulted as follows:—G.M., Bro. H. Gerrett; D.G.M., Bro. A. Alser; G.S., W. Suggate; G.T., T. Stiffe; executive committee, Bros. L. B. Bertram, W. C. Rien, and R. Jackson; delegates to F.S. Association, Bros. G. L. Taylor and E. A. Carr.

COMMERCIAL EXAMINATIONS.

The result of the examination for junior commercial certificates (issued by the Sydney Chamber of Commerce), held on December 17 and 18, 1906, has just been received. The following candidates have been recommended in the order given for medals and certificates:—W. F. Kirkby, E. R. Mitchell, C. R. Woolley, L. G. Christie, E. A. M'Tiernan, C. S. Berry, A. Erickson, G. Hogan, I. M. Jefferson, E. P. Palmer, H. M. Hawk, A. N. Smedley, J. F. Flynn, H. E. C. Hoss, F. G. Boyle, P. G. Hooff, A. D. Harley, H. Smith, S. G. Lorking, N. W. Smiles.

Farmers who are interested in the poultry market will find the latest quotations in the market reports in "The Sydney Mail" each week.—Advt.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

Ulladulla Jockey Club's race meeting, to be held on March 1, has been granted registration by the A.J.C.

Tall Boy was yesterday withdrawn from the Granville Stakes in connection with the Rosehill February Meeting.

Trainers and jockeys entitled to admission to Rosehill on Saturday can obtain the necessary tickets at the office of the club up to 4 p.m. to-day.

The general entries for the V.A.T.C. and V.R.C. Autumn Meetings show a satisfactory increase as compared with those for the corresponding reunions last year, while the quality of the horses has been fully sustained. For the half-score events of the V.A.T.C. 233 entries were received, as compared with 220 for last year; while the V.R.C. total for 17 events is 491, as against 423, or an increase of 68. New South Wales is well represented on both lists with such good performers as Poseidon, Antonious, Ossian, Putty, Banzai, Collarit, Lady Esme, Newbury, North Head, Pompous, and Barrenjoey. Victoria has Dividend. Tulkeroo, Realm, Proceeder, Solution, Ellis, Benbow, Red Streak, Revenue, Dyed Garments, Booran, Corroboree, and others of lesser note to act on her behalf; while among the Western Australian representatives are May King, Blue Spec, Curtain Lecture, Rhubarb, Pius, Scorcher, Green Mountain, and Betsy Burke.

A patron of A. P. Brewer's stable at Wahgunyah (Vic.) has purchased Lady Herst, by Amherst, for 80 guineas.

It is on the cards (says an exchange) that there will be three foreign Derby winners running in England next season. The Austrian Derby winner Morpeth, has been there some little time, the Russian Derby winner Hammurabi is due at Beckhampton, while Herr Weinberg is credited with the intention to send over his German Derby winner Fels in the spring. If, therefore, Spearmint should be able to run next season, we might enjoy the unique spectacle of four Derby winners, all of the same age, running for the Ascot Gold Cup.

At the Johannesburg (S.A.) New Year's Meeting the Tucka Tucka-bred Metal Lace, by Metal from Necklace, carried the colours of R. Wootton into second place in the Nancefield Hurdle Race, 2¼m. There were four starters, and Mount Hilary was first past the post, but failed to draw weight, and the race was awarded to Vocalist II., formerly owned by Wootton, but now the property of M. Chinnery. Vocalist is also Tucka Tucka-bred, and is by Gogo from Carmen. Frank Wootton, who has achieved such success in England, had a mount in the Merchants' Handicap, but had to be content with third place.

Licenses under the Gaming and Betting Act have been issued in respect of the undermentioned racecourses:—Bookham, Broke, Burrygaa, Carcoar, Corowa, Eugowra, Ford's Bridge, Ganmain, Illabo, Junee (trotting), Moama, Moulamein Township, Nabiac, Ulmarra.

Our West Maitland correspondent telegraphs that Mr. A. J. Prentice has been appointed handicapper to the Tamworth Amateur Turf Club.

Mr. A. J. Prentice, secretary to the Maitland Race Club, has received a letter from the Chief Secretary, pointing out that although it is permissible by law for the club to hold ten race meetings during this year, the actual days of racing must be agreed upon between the Maitland race committee and the A.J.C. The Government some time ago issued a license to the club to race at Rutherford on the specified dates, and these will now require to be ratified by the leading body.

Our Narandera correspondent reports:—Mr. William Lynch, secretary of the Pastoral and Agricultural Association, has been elected secretary of the Narandera Race Club, vice Mr. John Wilson, deceased, at a salary of £25 per annum.

SCRATCHINGS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Conviction has been struck out of the Newmarket Handicap.

TASMANIAN RACING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

VIOLA WINS THE HOBART CUP.

HOBART, Wednesday.

The Summer Meeting of the Tasmanian Racing Club opened at Elwick to-day, under dispiriting circumstances, for rain which began to fall about 3 o'clock continued throughout the afternoon, the Hobart Cup being run in a heavy shower. There was a large attendance on all parts of the course, including several sportsmen from the other States of the Commonwealth. There were record fields, that for the Hobart Cup numbering 22, with Pius favourite, the next in demand being Togo and Tulkeroo. The favourite was beaten at the distance, and the event was won by Viola, trained by the veteran Arthur Poole, who prepared Chesterfield when he won the Hobart Cup four years ago. Tulkeroo was prominent a couple of furlongs from home. None of the placed horses was laid any of the sweep money.

Results:—

Maiden Plate, 6f.—Mr. O'Keefe's Woodnymph, by Beauchamp (imp.)—Bonnette, 7st 6lb (Turner), 1; Mr. Abbot's The Saint, 8st (W. Sweeney), 2; Messrs. Thirkell Bros.' Providence, 8st (Rouse), 3. Other starters: Cora, Cairo, Waterbury, Lymington, Tatters, and Darrack. Won by two and a half lengths, a length and a half between second and third. Time, 1m 19 2-5s. Dividends for 10s, £8 14s, and 14s.

Hurdle Race, 2½m.—Mr. H. Powell's Ally Sloper, by Recreation, 10st 7lb (Morphett), 1; Mr. Rooke's Dagoba, 10st (Bowerman), 2; Mr. Gatenby's Bribery, 11st 7lb (Williams), 3. Other starters: Sylvan, 11st 7lb; Paul, 9st 2lb; Linda, 9st; Topaz, 9st. Won by three quarters of a length, four lengths between second and third.

Waverley Handicap, 7f.—Mr. R. C. Field's b c Edenholme, by Leeholme—Morva, 3yrs, 8st 10lb (Rouse), 1; Mr. Cousin's Kirin, 8st 7lb (Jennings), 2; Mr. J. C. Smith's Samurai, 9st (Lewis), 3. Other starters: Sapir, 9st 10lb; Warchester, 9st; Navy, 8st 5lb; Rusticana, 8st 5lb; Aerolite, 8st 5lb; Ecolier, 8st 10lb; Myhome, 7st 9lb; Beechester, 7st 9lb; Brown Hawk, 7st 7lb; Hairpin, 7st 7lb. Won by a length, three lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 33 3-5s. Dividends, £1 11s and 18s.

Hobart Cup, 1½m.—Mr. E. Harris's br m Viola, by Trombone—Resplendent, 5yrs, 7st 6lb (Campbell), 1; Mr. C. Brown's Togo, 4yrs, 7st 2lb (Andrews), 2; Mr. A. Evan's ch h Solano, 7st 2lb, including 2lb over (E. Bennett), 3. Other starters: Hospador, 9st 11lb (Godby); Tulkeroo, 9st 11lb (Turner); Watchful, 9st 2lb (Williams); Pius, 8st 7lb (W. Foulsham); Harkaway, 8st 2lb (Dunn); Omnium, 7st 11lb (W. Sweeney); Silverholme, 7st 2lb, including 1lb over (Roles); Lochino, 7st 6lb (Clayton); Clansman, 7st 6lb (Bennett); Metaphor, 7st 4lb (Whitefield); Kalnuck, 7st 4lb (W. H. Smith); Precocious, 7st 4lb (Bullock); Reliance, 7st 5lb, including 5lb over (Grattan); Homer, 7st (Somers); Abernant, 7st 7lb, including 7lb over (Jennings); Phoebus, 6st 12lb (Stebbings); Serene, 6st 10lb (Brennan); Silvio, 6st 13lb, including 6lb over (M'Gowan); Autumn, 6st 12lb, including 5lb over (Dixon). A couple of furlongs from home Viola and Pius were together in front, and the Victorian led into the straight, but collapsed at the distance, where Viola came away, and won by a length. A length and a half between second and third; Pius fourth, Autumn fifth, Tulkeroo sixth, and Abernant last. Time, 2m 40 3-5s. Dividends, £6 15s and 16s.

Juvenile Handicap, 5f.—Messrs. Calvert Bros.' ch g Straightaway, 7st 9lb (Dunn), 1; Mr. Brock's b f The Nine, 8st 4lb (W. H. Smith), 2; Mr. R. C. Field's blk f Birralee, 7st 11lb (Rouse), 3. Other starters: Mountain Home, 8st 7lb; Trojan, 8st; Patches, 7st 11lb; Ornament, 7st 11lb; Drumreagh, 7st 9lb. Won by a neck. Three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time, 1m 9s. Dividends, £3 14s and 6s.

Flying Handicap, 6f.—Winsome, by Chesterman—Hekla, 8st 7lb (Rouse), 1; Sandon, 7st (W. H. Smith), 2; Silverlink, 8st (W. Bennett), 3. Other starters: Pretty Private, 9st 3lb; Blue Rose, 8st 11lb; Glimmer, 8st 5lb. Won by a length; the same between second and third. Time, 1m 22 2-5s. Dividend, £2 11s.

ARMIDALE AND NEW ENGLAND JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

ARMIDALE CUP WON BY GARCHES.

ARMIDALE, Wednesday.

The Armidale and New England Jockey Club commenced its annual meeting to-day, in beautifully fine weather, and there was a record attendance, including a very large number of ladies. Results:—

Borough Handicap, of 50 sovs, 6f.—Mr. W. Kendall's Simmerelle, by Simmer—Citronelle, 7st 11lb, 1; Mr. A. J. Imberger's Imogene, 7st 11lb, 2. No third place. Won by a head. Time, 1m 17½s.

Flying Welter, of 30 sovs, 6f.—Mr. Gilmore's Blue Wave, by True Blue—Pacific, 1; Novelty, 2; Protocol, 3. Won by a head. Time, 1m 21½s.

Park Stakes, of 30 sovs, 6f.—Helvellyn, by Havoc—Nellie, 1; Pastime (late Gig), 2; Croxdale, 3. Seventeen started, a record field for the Armidale racecourse. Won by a length and a half. Time, 1m 18½s.

Armidale Cup, of 120 sovs, 7f.—Mr. P. M'Carthy's Garches, by Voyon—Fairy, 8st 12lb, 1; Mr. A. J. Imberger's Imogene, 7st 9lb, 2; Mr. H. A. Smith's Maggie Kent, 8st 7lb, 3. Betting: 6 to 4 on Queenie's Court, 2 to 1 v Garches. At the start Queenie's Court got away with the lead, but was overtaken by Imogene, who kept in front for some time; eventually Garches came with a rush, and won easily. Time, 1m 31s.

Flying Handicap, of 20 sovs, 6f.—P.J.F., by Medallion—Queen Mab, *; Novelty, by Revolver—Lady Queenie, *; Croxdale, 3. This was one of the best races of the meeting.

ASCOT RACING CLUB.

Pony and galloway racing attracted a large assemblage to Ascot yesterday, when the weather was fine and pleasant, and the track in good order. Results:—

Flying Welter Handicap of 30 sovs, second 3, and third 2 sovs from the prize, 4½f.—E. Lawler's ch m Miss Kingsley, by Kingsley (imp.)—Tortoiseshell, 8st 8lb (H. Smith), 1; Skylark, 8st 4lb (T. Walsh), 2; My Own, 8st (Connell), 3. Other starters: Will Manton, 10st; Remark, 9st 11lb; Native Cat, 9st 6lb; Bismarck, 9st 6lb; Lady Gossoon, 9st 3lb; East, 9st 2lb; King Olaf, 9st; Sedgebird, 9st; Imperial, 8st 13lb; Heatherflower, 8st 12lb; Clarissima, 8st 10lb; Lochie, 8st 7lb; Sweetheart, 8st 7lb; Grafter, 8st 5lb; Miss Moorefield, 8st 2lb; Jolly Roy, 8st; Theresa, 8st. Betting: 5 to 1 each v Skylark and Grafter, 7 to 1 each v Miss Kingsley and Bismarck, 8 to 1 v East, 10 to 20 to 1 v others. Won by a head. Time, 58½s.

Thirteen-three Handicap of 20 sovs, second 3, and third 2 sovs from the prize, 4½f.—W. Creed's b or rn h Dreadnought, by Marlbeau, 7st 5lb (Russell), 1; Wallace, 8st 1lb (Connell), 2; Scotch Mixture, 8st 10lb (Moy), 3. Other starters: Thespana, 9st 6lb; Winifred, 8st 8lb; Cronulla, 8st; Tod, 7st 13lb; Tarana, 7st 12lb; Lily B., 7st 7lb; Rose Gray, 7st 7lb; Marcelle, 7st; Collusion, 7st; Sir William, 6st 12lb; Silver Grace, 6st 10lb; The Fop, 6st 10lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v Lily B., 3 to 1 v Tod, 7 to 1 each v Scotch Mixture and Thespana, 10 to 1 others. Won by three lengths. Time, 57½s.

Fourteen-one Handicap of 30 sovs, second 3, and third 2 sovs from the prize, 5f.—A. J. Tweedie's br m Miss Moorefield, by Moorefield—Preston mare, 8st 10lb (Norris), 1; Bow Bell, 6st 12lb (Harris), 2; Clarette, 6st 5lb (O'Donnell), 3. Other starters: Sygnet, 10st 7lb; Cambena, 8st 2lb; Blarneyette, 8st 2lb; Gipsy Lass, 7st 8lb; Beatrix, 7st 8lb; A. Z., 7st 5lb; Little Lady, 7st 1lb; Milkboy, 6st 12lb; Black Swan, 6st 12lb. Betting: Even money on Miss Moorefield, 3 to 1 v Blarneyette, 6 to 1 v Cambena, 8 to 1 v Clarette, 10 to 20 to 1 v others. Won by three lengths. Time, 1m 5½s.

Novice Handicap of 25 sovs, second 3, and third 2 sovs from the prize, 4½f.—First division: E. Foster's br f Vanora, by Glenore—Lizzie, 8st (Connell), 1; Miss Metal, 8st 6lb (Moy), 2; Waverley, 8st 8lb (Whitehall), 3. Other starters: Gold Lead, 9st 4lb; Grey Jim, 9st 2lb; Gradient, 8st 9lb; Geneva, 8st 9lb; Reprint, 8st 7lb; Regret, 8st 7lb; B Sharp, 8st 7lb; Miss Lilian, 8st 6lb; Roaney, 8st 4lb; Zetland, 8st 4lb; Hilda C., 8st 4lb; Haymaker, 8st 3lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v Miss Metal, 5 to 2 v Vanora, 3 to 1 v Regret, 12 to 20 to 1 v others. Won by a length and a half. Time, 54s. Second division: C. Hayes' ch m Alice Moorefield, by Moorefield—Friar mare, 7st 11lb (Connell), 1; Royal Dale, 7st 8lb (Perry), 2; Vespasia, 7st 7lb (Merritt), 3. Other starters: Hinemoa, 7st 13lb; Kelpie, 7st 13lb; Lady Meny, 7st 12lb; Waterloo, 7st 12lb; Silver Heels, 7st 12lb; Chance, 7st 11lb; Lord Cardigan, 7st 11lb; Freda, 7st 11lb; Simmerline, 7st 9lb; Bonnie Lassie, 7st 8lb; Cordite, 7st 7lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Alice Moorefield, 5 to 1 v Cordite, 7 to 1 v Hinemoa, 8 to 20 to 1 others. Won by a length. Time, 55s. The owners of the divisional winners agreed to divide the prize.

Fourteen Hands Handicap of 30 sovs, second 3, and third 2 sovs from the prize, 4½f.—T. Adcock's ch g Silver, by Sir Anthony, 7st 5lb (Williams), 1; Merry Minnie, 7st 12lb (Russell), 2; Marjorie, 6st 12lb (M'Donald), 3. Other starters: Elector, 9st 8lb; Ruin, 8st 9lb; Sweet Rose, 8st 2lb; Rocket, 8st 1lb; Picture, 7st 10lb; Bow Bell, 7st 10lb; Selina, 7st 8lb; Malahide, 7st 1lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v Merry Minnie, 3 to 1 each v Sweet Rose and Bow Bell, 10 to 1 each v Malahide and Silver. Won by two lengths. Time, 56s.

Fourteen-two Handicap of 30 sovs, second 3 and third 2 sovs from the prize, 5f.—E. Marr's br g Lee Weller, by Bellarmin—Miss Trickett, 8st 3lb (Clifton), 1; The Duchess, 8st 12lb (Bindon), 2; Silver Rose, 8st 12lb (Egan), 3. Other starters: Allowrie, 8st 13lb; Rosalind, 8st 2lb; Cymbaline, 7st 13lb; Dore, 7st 12lb; Report, 7st 12lb; Roela, 7st 6lb; Miss Havoc, 7st 5lb; Lady Wilton, 7st 4lb; Agnes, 7st 2lb; Nellie G., 7st; Kerrika, 6st 10lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Cymbaline, 3 to 1 v Allowrie, 7 to 1 each v The Duchess and Agnes, 10 to 20 to 1 v others. Won by a head. Time, 56s.

Ascot Handicap (all horses) of 75 sovs, second 10, and third 5 sovs from the prize, 6f.—Mrs. W. Gregin's b g Morok, by Beauchamp (imp.)—Belle of Lynn, 8st 1lb (Connell), 1; Lady Isabel, 8st 6lb (Paterson), 2; Telowar, 7st 10lb (West), 3. Other starters: Mrs. Caudle, 8st 6lb; Bismarck, 8st 6lb; Orange, 8st 2lb; East, 8st 2lb; Pegar, 8st; Mr. Cochrane, 7st 12lb; Heatherflower, 7st 12lb; Battler, 7st 12lb; Quickness, 7st; 10lb; Metallist, 7st 2lb; Reviver, 7st; Will Roy, 7st; Jessie Agnes, 7st; Waterloo, 6st 12lb; Welfare, 6st 12lb; Hardy, 6st 12lb; Adam Bede, 6st 12lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v Welfare, 3 to 1 v Lady Isabel, 6 to 1 each v Morok and Metallist, 10 to 20 to 1 v others. Won by a neck. Time, 1m 17½s.

CRICKET.

S. S. GREGORY BENEFIT.

THE TEAMS SELECTED.

The selectors of the two teams for the S. E. Gregory benefit match, Messrs. F. Iredale, N. Y. Deane, and G. P. Barbour, for New South Wales, and Messrs. F. Iredale (N.S.W.), W. W. Armstrong (Victoria), and J. Darling (S.A.), for the Rest of Australia, made the choice, and the results of their deliberations are as follows:—

REST OF AUSTRALIA.	NEW SOUTH WALES.
H. Trumble (Vic.)	V. Trumper
P. McAlister (Vic.)	M. A. Noble
W. W. Armstrong (Vic.)	R. A. Duff
G. Hazlett (Vic.)	G. L. Garnsey
D. R. A. Gehrs (S.A.)	A. J. Hopkins
C. Hill (S.A.)	A. Diamond
J. H. Pellew (S.A.)	A. Cotter
A. Wright (S.A.)	H. Carter
C. Eady (Tas.)	M. H. Blaxland
J. J. Kelly (N.S.W.)	E. L. Waddy
S. E. Gregory (N.S.W.)	C. G. Macartney
R. Hartigan (Q.), 12th	A. B. S. White, 12th.
J. A. O'Connor (S.A.), 13th	

It is unfortunate that Darling could not spare the time. It is understood that his presence is required at his estate in Northern Tasmania. With him in the Rest of Australia Eleven they would be improved. If it be possible for Hugh Trumble to make the trip he will be a strong attraction, and also serviceable. He is just now bowling in good form. It is a good side from which Carroll, the successful Victorian colt, is omitted. On this year's form he is more entitled to selection than Pellew, though the latter has had more experience. The Rest of Australia are undoubtedly a strong side. In the circumstances, no one could cavil at the inclusion of S. E. Gregory. He is in excellent batting form. Kelly will keep wickets, a return to first-class cricket for the nonce which will be welcome. The inclusion of the ex-Australian Eleven man, C. J. Eady, will strengthen the side all round. He will be the fast bowler. It is gratifying to find Tasmania represented. There are just a sufficient number of New South Wales men in to sustain the rivalry; if there were more included, the keenness of the game might be weakened.

THE CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Some correspondent, writing under the nom de plume of "Lex Non Scripta," appears desirous of placing his opinion before the public upon the extent of my responsibility. I am quite prepared, under proper circumstances to show the extent of my responsibility in the fearless and honest discharge of a public duty to any person who will publicly challenge it, but never to men who apparently fear to come out in the open and sign their names. In the meantime, the individual who fires from behind the hedge can rest assured the control and good government of the manly game of cricket and clean amateur sport are quite safe in the hands of the vice-presidents of the association. However unpleasant the duty or responsibility, it will be fearlessly and honestly discharged.

I am, etc.,

JOHN H. CLAYTON.

Feb. 6.

CYCLING AND MOTORING.

CYCLING CARNIVAL.

POSTPONED UNTIL MONDAY NIGHT.

The cycling sports which the New South Wales Cyclists' Association had arranged to hold at the Sydney Sports Ground last evening were postponed at the last moment owing to the inclemency of the weather. The secretary of the promoting body announced that the postponed meeting will be held on Monday evening. Tickets which were available for last evening's meeting will hold good for Monday night's carnival.

MOTOR BOAT CLUB.

A meeting of the Motor Boat Club will take place on the 14th instant. The moonlight concert will be held on the 23rd instant. With regard to the reliability trial which took place on Saturday a slight alteration has been made in the awards which were first issued by the judges. It is now reported that out of eleven boats that competed, three failed to make a non-stop run according to the observers. Min-U-Min failed by reason of battery troubles, but otherwise put up an excellent performance. Coo-ee II. also failed through picking up some weeds on her propeller, a mishap which caused her owner to reverse the engine, during which a slight stoppage occurred. But for this the boat made a splendid run throughout. Betty, the smallest launch in the competition, which, as was previously reported, failed to make a non-stop run, owed her delay to weeds getting on her propeller. This unavoidable occurrence, coupled with a stoppage through a sooty plug, marred an otherwise splendid performance. The little boat, indeed, ran at almost maximum speed for 10 hours, and arrived in fine condition.

The final of the reliability trial, to decide the winners, will be held on Saturday. Competitors will assemble at Berry's Bay at 2.30 p.m., when the various tests with regard to reversing and starting of the launches, fuel economy, installation, etc., will be reported upon by the judges.

N.S.W. CYCLISTS' UNION.

CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING.

Entries for the half and one-mile handicap events and the half and ten-miles Australasian championships, will close finally at the Sports Club on Saturday, the 9th instant, at 9 p.m. No entries will be accepted by post or otherwise after that time. The colour regulations will be strictly enforced. No rider will be allowed to start in any event unless he complies with this rule.

Entries received for the one-mile event which should have taken place in December, have been allotted to the Kerr Handicap, which will be held on the 16th inst.

BIRCHGROVE HARRIERS.

The following are the handicaps for the above club's 75yds sprint, to be held at Birchgrove Reserve on Saturday afternoon:—John Campbell, scr; P. Pitcher, 2yds; W. Bradstreet, 3yds; Guthrie, M'Pherson, 4yds; Retford, E. Austin, Gray, 4½yds; Cohen, 5yds; Methew, 5½yds; Jones, Morgan, 6yds; Andrews, 7yds; J. Bryan, 7½yds; Moore, Fetters, 8yds; Vance, 8½yds; Collins, 12yds.

ROWING.

BALMAIN ROWING CLUB REGATTA.

The twenty-fifth annual regatta of the Balmain Rowing Club, given fine weather, should prove quite as enjoyable as any of its predecessors. The committee have worked hard to make it a success, and have succeeded in securing splendid entries from other clubs for the open races and invitation fours; and as there are large entries for all the races, a keen afternoon's sport should be enjoyed by visitors. Rodd Island has been secured for the afternoon, and all races will finish at that point. Afternoon tea and other refreshments will be provided there for visitors, and the Sobraon Band will play selections throughout the afternoon. The entries are as follows:—

Maiden Eights.—Glebe, Sydney, Balmain, Leichhardt, Mercantile.

Invitation Fours.—Six entries.

Junior Fours.—Balmain, Leichhardt, Enterprise, Glebe.

Gladstone Skiff Handicap.—Seven entries.

SAILING.

18FT CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA.

At the Anniversary Regatta held on the Swan River (W.A.) last month, interest centred in the 18ft sailing championship of Australia. Seven boats competed, including the N. S. Wales representative, Australian, sailed by Mr. C. Webb, and a very interesting contest resulted in a win for the Western Australian boat Aeolus, sailed by Mr. J. Tomlinson. At the start Australian went straight on to a bank, where she lost 1m 15s, and by an error of judgment Aeolus shortly afterwards lost an appreciable amount of time in overshooting a buoy. When entering on the fourth and final stage of the race Aeolus was in the lead with Australian second and Swan third. "When only four lengths astern," according to a detailed account of the event, "Australian threw round to port and crossing Swan's bows by some few lengths, at once threw back to starboard to meet Aeolus, who was now standing out on the port tack. It was a nice piece of strategy, this declining to follow a leader to the very end of a board on the port cant. The short hitch out and the throw back gave the visitor the starboard at the meeting; and had he been 3ft further to windward he must have succeeded in putting Aeolus about and establishing himself comfortably on her weather quarter. As it was, the shadow of Aeolus's mainsail fell across Australian's jib. Here, then, it seemed, the race was over. The unbeaten champion of Sydney Harbour had unsuccessfully disposed of all but Aeolus, and was now within 3ft or so of even her. As it subsequently proved, however, it was only at this point that the race started, so to speak." The finishing times were:—Aeolus, 4h 48m 56s; Australian, 4h 50m 7s; Swan, 4h 50m 50s; The West, 4h 52m; Alert, 4h 55m 7s.

Speaking after the race Mr. Webb said he was perfectly satisfied. He very much regretted having touched the bank at the starting point, but probably the defeat of the Australian was due largely to the fact that the boat had a bit too much sail on. Mr. Webb added:—"We would not have been down in that leeward position at the start but for the fact that the thimble came out of the clew of the jib just before the last flag, and to replace it we had to sacrifice position. The other boats on our weather came off the bank without touching, but apparently we were either drawing more water or took it on higher ground. The accident hurt us more than was apparent from outside the boat, for we could not get our plate set in its proper position again. It was quite a foot aft of the usual mark, and I had to keep her up with the tiller, with the result that she could not hold her customary wind; while the slop, when she met it at Apiecross, knocked her head away badly. Just the same, Aeolus is a fine boat and her skipper a thoroughly capable helmsman. However, we hope to turn the tables on him and her when they come to Sydney next year."

ST. GEORGE CLUB.

The four boats of the St. George Club that were competing in the recent regatta held in Port Jackson have now returned to Botany Bay. It was resolved to race home. Jessie at the start got into a windward position in Watson's Bay and cleared the Heads first, holding the lead all along the coast. Clio got hung up for 2½ hours under the Gap. Jessie, which was sailed by W. Kennedy, won by seven minutes, with Edith (J. Werry) about 7 minutes away second, and Clio (E. Clark) filling third position, arrived about 20 minutes later. This club will hold a 14ft championship race on Saturday, for which, up to the present, 17 entries have been received.

SWIMMING.

SOUTH SYDNEY SWIMMING CLUB.

The above club held a Long Plunge, and 33yds Handicap, at Coogee Baths on Tuesday night. Results:—

Long Plunge.—A. Harman, 1; D. Abbott, 2; E. Miskell, 3.

33yds Handicap.—Heat winners: A. Harman, scr; W. Grant, 10s; F. Bradley, 8s, D. Abbott, 2s; E. Mishell, 3s; J. M'Brick, 8s. Final: E. Mishell, 1; E. Bradley, 2; A. Harman, 3. Time, 21 1-5s. Won by a yard.

ST. GEORGE DISTRICT CLUB.

The following are the starts for the above club's 440yds Handicap:—H. Kermode, scr; J. Dickie, 24s; J. Dalley, 35s; H. Hawkes, 45s; A. Wood, 57s; J. Pocock, E. Tidmarsh, E. Sieben, A. Whitehall, J. Green, 65s; H. Latham, 70s; G. Titmarsh, T. Rowell, 75s; C. Hansen, R. Penman, 80s; L. Butchart, J. Hawkes, 85s; P. Russell, 90s; T. O'Donnell, N. Hansen, G. Hardy, 95s; H. Burtt, N. Burtt, P. Gibson, H. Wood, 100s; A. Spring, 105s; C. Searle, H. Malleach, A. Hodgkins, H. Brooks, 110s; J. Asquith, 120s; F. Allen, 130s; E. Kent, 135s.

QUEENSLAND.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The matter of rearrangement of portfolios, consequent on the retirement of Mr. Denham, was discussed at the meeting of the Cabinet yesterday, and as a result Mr. Bell will take up the administration of the Railway Department, in addition to the Lands Department, and Mr. O'Sullivan will become Minister for Agriculture in addition to Minister for Works.

THE GOLD YIELD.

A statement of the gold yield for January was issued by the Mines Department this morning. The total yield was 32,550oz, being a decrease of 4462oz on the corresponding month last year. The value of the gold won was £134,016, a decrease of £18,953.

THE WRECK OF THE PILOT.

The portmaster, Captain Mackay, received the following wire this afternoon from Mr. Matsen, of the Harbours and Rivers Department, Cooktown:—"The Melbidir arrived at 1.30 to-day. She reports that she found no survivors of the Pilot, which it is believed foundered during the recent cyclone. The main part of the wreckage is from North Head and Cape Bedford to M'Ivor River. Some timber and stanchions were found close to Cape Bedford, and Captain Coutts considers that the Pilot was wrecked on Cape Bedford.

LICENSED VICTUALLERS AND THE LAW.

MR. AIREY'S RETORT.

The attention of the Home Secretary was drawn to-day to a statement in the annual report of the Licensed Victuallers' Association that "Publicans will never receive fair and equitable treatment from such men as Airey and some others of the Quinlan stamp on both side of the House. The first-named has shown from first to last his strong bias in this connection by the unjust and unfair methods he resorted to as Ministerial head of the Police Department from the day he first took office as Home Secretary, and neither time nor money should be spared in opposition to this gentleman and others of his kidney in any and every constituency in the State."

Mr. Airey, in reply, said: "It is, I think, a novel thing that a Minister should be publicly told that on account of having carried out the law of the land concerning the liquor trade to the best of his ability neither the time nor money of an influential body like the Licensed Victuallers should be spared to oust him from public life. I know of no reason why the licensed victuallers, any more than any other body of citizens, should be exempt from the duty of obeying and respecting the law as it stands, and I shall continue to use my best endeavours to see that the law of the State in regard to the liquor question is effectively administered."

COUNTRY NEWS.

THE NORTHERN BARS.

BOWRAVILLE, Wednesday.

Business here is paralysed, steamers having been barbound for three weeks. There are no early prospects of them getting out, and shippers and producers are being occasioned heavy losses.

NAMBUCCA HEADS, Wednesday.

At a largely attended public meeting to-day a deputation was appointed to interview the Minister for Works in reference to the serious condition of the bar, and to endeavour to get the dredge Antleon sent at once for a few days to dredge the bar. The Nerong and Rockliliy are barbound, and there is no prospect of them getting out. The Nerong has been here nearly three weeks, and shippers and the public have been put to great loss and inconvenience.

RELIC OF THE EARLY DAYS.

QUEANBEYAN, Wednesday.

Whilst digging in his garden at The Elms, Mr. John Gale unearthed the flint of one of the old muskets in use in the closing days of the eighteenth century and the early part of the nineteenth. Mr. Gale surmises the flint is a relic of the convict days.

THE HOSPITALS.

BOWRAL, Wednesday.

The funds of the local Ministering Children's League have benefited to the extent of £67 as the result of the recent garden fete and juvenile ball. The committee of the league has decided to endow a cot in the Alexandra Hospital, Sydney.

KIAMA, Wednesday.

At the annual meeting of the Kiama Cottage Hospital, it was reported that the total receipts for the year amounted to £414. Rev. T. V. Alkin was elected president.

NARRANDERA, Wednesday.

A cheque for £50 will be handed over to the Narrandera Hospital committee, being the profit on the recent United Friendly Societies' race meeting.

BEGA, Wednesday.

A gymkhana was held by the local squadron of the A. L. Horse to-day at the Bega show grounds. The attendance was marred by the rain, which fell in torrents during the afternoon. Following are the results of the principal events:—Tent-pegging: Sergeant Howard Trotting Handicap, 2m: Trooper M'Gregor. Maiden Hunting contest: Shoeing-smith Moffits. Gretna Green race: Sergeant Howard and Trooper Warren. Victoria Cross race: Trooper Warren. Alarm race: Trooper Warren.

BULLAHDELAH, Wednesday.

Indignation is strongly expressed here at the delay of the Government in sending the dredge, which was promised several months ago, to work in the Myall River, which at present is in a dangerous condition.

COOMA, Wednesday.

Mr. G. S. Shepherd, C.P.S. at Cooma, has been appointed to Moruya, where he will act as C.P.S. and Crown Lands Agent. He will be succeeded by Mr. E. G. Hattersley, of Maclean.

Mr. Thomas Faulkner, son of Major Faulkner, of Cooma, has passed his final medical examinations at Edinburgh with distinction.

GUNDAGAI, Wednesday.

This afternoon a swimming carnival was held in the Murrumbidgee River by the local club. There was a very large attendance. R. Gilbert, of Tumut, won the championship; R. McCarthy, of Gundagai, second. Boys' races fell to Guy Brothers, of Brungle. G. Healy won walking the greasy pole, and C. Morley the long dive.

KATOOMBA, Wednesday.

His Excellency the Governor to-day consented to officially open the Katoomba water supply on March 12.

KURRI KURRI, Wednesday.

To-day strike pay was distributed among the Abermain miners.

A CHARMING TONIC.

KOLA-CUP

strengthens the Digestion. It soothes and nourishes outraged stomachs. All chemists and hotels.—Advt.

The residents of Alstonville, Paterson, and Raymond Terrace should secure a copy of this week's issue of "The Sydney Mail," which contains views of the districts named.—Advt.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—Feb. 6.

Ringdove, ktch, 87 tons, Captain Walter Champion, from Noumea. Passengers—Messrs. Zeiter and Hagen. Justus Scharff, agent.

Defiance, bgtn, 190 tons, Captain Smith, from Thames, N.Z. E. F. Broad, agent.

Bramley, s, 4290 tons, Captain Gray, from Newcastle, en route to San Francisco. Davies and Fehon, Limited, agents.

Oonah, s, 1757 tons, Captain Bentley, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Namoi, s, 1414 tons, Captain Nelson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and H.R. S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

St. George, s, 515 tons, Captain Wood, from Newcastle. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Archer, s, 194 tons, Captain Walker, from Newcastle. Newcastle and H.R. S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Wauchope, s, 269 tons, Captain Merrett, from Port Macquarie. Alex. Kethel and Co., agents.

Ramornie, s, 546 tons, Captain Beach, from Macleay River. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

City of Grafton, s, 825 tons, Captain W. B. Nelson, from Richmond River. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Glenesk, s, 3524 tons, Captain Rafferty, from Singapore, via Newcastle, en route to San Francisco. Caledonian Coal Company, agents.

DEPARTURES.—Feb. 6.

Apolda, s, for Hamburg, via ports.
Thora, Danish bq, for Tocopilla.
Celtic Race, ship, for Queenstown, for orders.
Wimmera, s, for Auckland.
Moorabool, s, for Melbourne, via Newcastle.
Alala, s, for Port Pirie.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—Feb. 7.

Oonah, s, for Hobart; Woy Woy, s, for Newport and Bayview; Bega, s, for Bermagui, Tathra, Merimbula, and Eden; Erina, s, for Gosford, Woy Woy, and Brisbane Water; Coomonderry, s, for Moruya (direct), Narooma, and Wagonga; Ramornie, s, for Macleay River; City of Grafton, s, for Richmond River; Wauchope, s, for Port Macquarie, Hastings and Wilson rivers; Pyrmont, s, for Port Macquarie, Hastings and Wilson rivers; Newcastle, s, for Newcastle; Cooloon, s, for Coff's Harbour and Woolgoolga; Ellerslie, s, for Camden Haven, Kew, Kendall, and Camboyne; Aleda, sch, for Cape Hawke and Wallamba River.

CLEARANCES.—Feb. 6.

Wimmera, s, 2980 tons, Captain G. F. Entwisle, for Auckland. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Weyland, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Howatt, Mr. and Mrs. Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. De Pledge, Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barrie, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Bloomfield, Mr. and Mrs. S. Kohn, Mr. and Mrs. S. Boord, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Montague Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. H. M'Donald, Mr. and Mrs. P. Northey, Mr. and Mrs. J. Corcoran; Mesdames Davies, Brooks and infant, Justhorpe, M'Lennan, A. J. Drew; Misses Doyle, R. Lamb, Doyle, Marshall, Dobbie, Em, Benjamin, M. Gormley, J. Aitken, M. Hall, J. Allsopp, Tierney, C. Dunn; Messrs. R. Blair, H. H. Watkins, A. J. Arnott, M'Roberts, A. S. Benjamin, Campion (2), C. Chalmers, F. H. Miller, R. Thwaites, M. F. Hunter, E. R. Banbury, W. Frazer, A. W. Dobbie, Watkins, J. J. Deverrux, Masters Frazer (2), O'Riordon, F. J. Poulgrain, H. Black, J. W. Brodie, C. Moore, E. Greenhill, T. Linton, P. Foster, H. G. Brown, H. Balchin, H. Gunthorpe, F. Torrington, Baron Vietinghoff, and 44 in the steerage.

Alala, s, 3217 tons, Captain Downie, for Port Pirie.

Apolda, s, 4939 tons, Captain Wellhofer, for Hamburg, via ports.

IMPORTS.—Feb. 6.

Defiance, bgtn, from Thames (N.Z.): 168,856ft white pine.

Ringdove, sch, from Noumea: 35 tons 46 bgs copra, 14 bgs fungus, 1 cs plants.

EXPORTS.—Feb. 6.

Apolda, s, for Hamburg, via ports: 848 bgs ivory nuts, 3725 sks copra, 50 sks cocoa, 83 cks e. w. oil, 90 bgs scheelite, 80 cks 32 cs e. oil, 9245 bls wool, timber, and sundries.

Customs-house.—Entered outward: Feb. 6, Cape Antibes, s, for Ocean Island and Nauru; Sandakan, s, for Manila and Kobe, via Brisbane; Matoppo, s, for Dunkirk, London, and Antwerp, via Melbourne; Riverina, s, for Wellington.

The Messageries Maritimes Company's island connecting steamer Pacifique, now berthed at the company wharf, Circular Quay, will to-morrow afternoon be removed to the Japanese mail wharf, adjoining.

The Norwegian barque Sterna, which arrived here on the 31st ult. in ballast from Huasco, and anchored off Double Bay, will at 6.30 this morning be floated into Woolwich Dock for cleaning and painting, preparatory to loading a cargo of Lithgow coal for the West Coast of South America.

MOVEMENTS OF MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Orontes, from London, bound to Sydney, left Melbourne yesterday, and is due here to-morrow.

The R.M.S. Marmora, from London, bound to Sydney, left Fremantle at 11.30 a.m. yesterday for Adelaide.

The R.M.S. China, from Sydney, bound to London, arrived at Suez on Sunday last, 3rd inst.

The R.M.S. Mongolia, from Sydney, bound to London, is due at Adelaide to-day from Melbourne.

The G.M.S. Scharnhorst, from Sydney, bound to Southampton and Bremen, left Melbourne yesterday for Adelaide.

The F.M.S. Nera, from Noumea and Sydney, bound to Marseilles, arrived at Fremantle yesterday from Adelaide.

THE RINGDOVE, FROM NOUMEA.

An early visitor to this port yesterday morning was the little ketch Ringdove, from Noumea, with a couple of passengers and a light cargo of island products. Captain Walter Champion, who is in command, reports having sailed on Jan. 25, and during the trip encountered severe weather conditions. On Friday last the Ringdove ran into a violent SSE gale, which brought up very heavy seas. The gale continued to rage throughout Saturday, and bad weather lasted until Monday, variable winds being experienced during the remainder of the voyage. Seal Rocks were sighted on Tuesday last, and on arrival here the ketch anchored in Watson's Bay for medical inspection. Upon being granted pratique the Ringdove proceeded to an anchorage in Neutral Bay.

THE DEFIANCE, FROM NEW ZEALAND.

The timber-laden brigantine Defiance, a frequent visitor to this port, arrived here yesterday morning after an uneventful run of 12 days across the Tasman Sea. Captain Smith states that he sailed from the Thames on Jan. 25, and met with south-easterly winds until within 200 miles of the Australian coast, when light winds and calms were experienced, lasting to arrival. The Defiance, which has a full cargo of white pine, anchored in Berry's Bay.

THE KENT LEAVING TO-MORROW.

The Federal liner Kent, which arrived here on Monday from Durban, via Amsterdam and St. Paul Islands, was floated out of Woolwich Dock yesterday after having received an overhaul, and moored at the Oceanic Company's buoy in Neutral Bay. Coaling operations were carried on in the stream during the remainder of the day, and the Kent, in command of Captain McGibbon, is under orders to sail at noon to-morrow for Auckland. She has been secured on behalf of the New Zealand Shipping Company, Limited, and will load at New Zealand ports for London.

THE DEVON DUE ON SUNDAY.

The steamer Devon, of the Federal S. N. Company's fleet, will probably leave Melbourne at daylight tomorrow for Sydney, in continuation of her voyage from Liverpool, via Capetown and ports. On arrival here on Sunday she will berth at the Federal-Houlder-Shire Wharf at Darling Island, to discharge about 3000 tons of general cargo from home ports, and will proceed with the balance to Newcastle and Brisbane.

THE INCOMING JAPANESE MAIL STEAMER.

Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited (managing agents for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha), were in receipt of telegraphic advice yesterday from Thursday Island, advising the departure of the Japanese mail steamer Yawata Maru at noon on Tuesday for Sydney, via Townsville and Brisbane, en route from Yokohama. She is due to arrive in Sydney on the 13th inst. The Yawata Maru brings the following cargo and mails:—For Sydney, 274 tons cargo and 15 bags mails; and for Melbourne, 170 tons cargo and 6 bags mails.

THE WILCANNIA AT LONDON.

According to a cable message received yesterday by the managing agents for Lund's Blue Anchor line, Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Sanderson, Ltd., the steamer Wilcannia arrived at London from Sydney, via South Africa and ports, on Monday last, 4th inst. She left this port on Dec. 8, and sailed from Melbourne on Dec. 15, and from Durban on Jan. 7.

THE DAMASCUS AT MELBOURNE.

The Aberdeen liner Damascus, from London, bound to Sydney, arrived at Melbourne yesterday direct from Capetown. She commenced her voyage on Dec. 22, and took her departure from the South African port on Jan. 16. The Damascus is due here at the end of the week.

THE PERSIC AT MELBOURNE.

The White Star liner Persic, from Liverpool and Capetown, via Adelaide, en route to Sydney, reached Melbourne yesterday. Her agents anticipate that she will arrive in this port on Sunday next, 10th inst.

THE INVERCLYDE, FROM NEW YORK.

The new steamer Inverclyde, running under the auspices of the American and Australian line, which has a quantity of general cargo from New York for Sydney, arrived at Adelaide last evening from the American port, via Fremantle. She commenced her voyage on Dec. 6, and is to call at Melbourne on her way here.

THE NARRUNG LEAVES LONDON.

A cable message was yesterday received by Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Sanderson, Limited, managing agents for Lund's Blue Anchor line, notifying the departure of the steamer Narrung from London, on Monday last, 4th inst., for Sydney, via South Africa and ports.

THE ADELAIDE AT MANILA "ALL WELL."

Yesterday afternoon a cable message was received by Messrs. Birt and Co., Limited, advising the arrival of the steamer Adelaide at Manila on Tuesday last, "all well." The message added that everything was working satisfactorily. The Adelaide, which formerly belonged to the Adelaide S.S. Company, was recently purchased by a firm of Russians, to be used, it is understood, as a refrigerated storeship at the port of Vladivostock, and after being insulated and overhauled throughout, loaded a cargo of frozen meat at Sydney and Brisbane, for the Far East. She sailed from this port in command of Captain J. J. Simpson, on January 9, and took her departure from Brisbane on January 15, calls being subsequently made at Townsville, on January 19, and at Thursday Island on January 24. The Adelaide has called at Manila to replenish her coal bunkers, and will leave almost immediately in continuation of her voyage. On her way to Vladivostock she will visit Shanghai or Nagasaki.

The shipping inspector at Townsville has notified the Brisbane Marine Board that at 2.30 p.m. on the 18th ult., while he was in charge of the steamer Adelaide, which was going into the jetty wharf at Townsville, the engines refused to go astern when ordered, and that although the port anchor was let go with about 30 fathoms of cable, the vessel forged ahead, and struck the wharf stern on, doing damage to the extent of about £30 to the wharf only. He also stated that two minutes elapsed after the first order full astern was given, until the vessel struck the wharf, but the engines could not be moved until after she struck. The master of the steamer Adelaide (Captain John Simpson) endorsed the inspector's report.

THE SOMERSET LEAVES LIVERPOOL.

Messrs. Birt and Co., Ltd., have been advised by cable of the departure of the Federal liner Somerset from Liverpool on Sunday morning last, 3rd inst. for Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney, Newcastle, and Brisbane.

THE PONDO COMING TO SYDNEY.

The steamer Pondo, of the Alley line, sailed from Auckland on Tuesday last for Westport to replenish her coal bunkers, and will proceed from there direct to Sydney to discharge part cargo from Vancouver. The local agents for the Alley line, Messrs. Birt and Co., Ltd., expect the Pondo to arrive here about the 15th inst. Upon completion of discharging operations the Pondo will load cargo at Sydney, and will then proceed to Newcastle to ship a quantity of coal. She will then return to New Zealand to proceed loading for Vancouver, proceeding there via Fiji and Honolulu.

THE DURHAM EXPECTED ON MONDAY.

The Federal liner Durham, which has approximately 2300 tons of general cargo for Sydney from London, arrived at Melbourne yesterday from Adelaide, and will probably resume her voyage on Saturday. She is expected to arrive at Sydney on Monday next and on arrival will berth at the Federal-Houlder-Shire Wharf, at Darling Island, to discharge. Her future movements have not transpired.

THE SURREY RESUMES HER VOYAGE.

The steamer Surrey, of the Federal line, which put into Wellington on Monday short of coal, while bound from Liverpool, via Capetown, for Auckland, resumed her voyage on Tuesday last.

LARGE CARGO BY THE ALALA.

The steamer Alala, running under the auspices of Messrs. W. Scott Fell and Co.'s Commonwealth line, which was despatched from Sydney last night for Port Pirie, took away a large cargo. At Newcastle she shipped 3000 tons of coal, 7685 sleepers carried as deck cargo, 35 tons of machinery, and 10 tons of dog spikes, while at Pyrmont she loaded 1380 tons of coke.

A BARQUE ON THE COAST.

A four-masted barque, which may prove to be the Kinross-shire, now 121 days out from Hamburg, bound to Sydney with a cargo of general merchandise, was sighted from the signal station at Jervis Bay at 3.15 p.m. She was then 15 miles to the south-east, and was beating north. The four-masted barque Lindfield is now 84 days out from London, bound to Sydney, and the four-masted barque Armadale is 47 days out from Mauritius, bound to Newcastle.

THE INDUSTRIE TO LOAD MOUNTAIN COAL.

The Norwegian ship Industrie, which arrived here on Jan. 25 in ballast from Algoa Bay, South Africa, will be taken from her anchorage off Point Piper at 6 o'clock this morning and floated into Woolwich Dock for cleaning and painting. She is one of the fleet chartered to load Lithgow coal through the agency of Messrs. Madden and Hixson for the West Coast of South America.

The Industrie, it will be remembered, is the vessel which on May 26 last, put into Port Jackson in a dismasted condition while bound from Newcastle to Port Elizabeth with a cargo of coal, and after completing repairs resumed her voyage on July 28. Originally she was a German vessel, but two or three years ago was sold at Bremen by order of the managing owner, Mr. Ad. Schiff, of Elsfleth. She is a full-rigged iron ship, 1642 tons register, about 2350 tons carrying capacity, shifts without ballast, sails with 550 tons of ballast, and was built by Messrs. L. Smit and Zoon, Kinderijk. She was purchased by Mr. A. Meling, Stavanger, for 70,000 marks.

THE IONIC LEAVES CAPETOWN.

A private cable message received last night stated that the steamer Ionic, of the fleet of Shaw, Savill, and Albion Company, Limited, sailed from Capetown on the 1st inst., in continuation of her voyage from London to New Zealand ports.

DESPATCH OF A WHEAT SHIP.

Laden with a cargo of 26,336 bags of wheat, the fine British ship Celtic Race was towed to sea early yesterday morning on her way to Queenstown, where orders will be awaiting her on arrival. The Celtic Race arrived here on January 2 in ballast from Antofagasta, and is in first-class condition.

THE DERWENT, FROM NEW YORK.

The fine ship Derwent, which sailed from New York on Nov. 6, with a full general cargo for Melbourne and Sydney, safely arrived at the former port yesterday after a run of 92 days. The Derwent, which until a couple of years ago sailed under the British flag, is now a Norwegian vessel. She is an iron ship, 1890 tons register, has carried 3850 tons weight and measurement on a draught of 20ft 10in, will stand with about 100 tons, and shift with 200 to 250 tons of ballast, classed * 100 A1, and was built by Messrs. M'Millan and Son, Dumbarton, in 1884. Originally she was owned by Messrs. Devitt and Moore, London, but while lying in the East India Dock, in 1904, was sold to Messrs. Chr. Nielsen and Co., Laurvig, Norway, for £7500.

THE THORA PUTS TO SEA.

Early yesterday morning the Danish barque Thora was towed from her anchorage off Elizabeth Bay to sea. She is bound for Talcahuano, Chili, with a cargo of 571 tons of mountain coal.

THE GLENESK, FROM SINGAPORE.

Last night the steamer Glenesk, in command of Captain Rafferty, arrived at Sydney from Singapore, via Newcastle, and proceeded up the harbour to an anchorage. She loaded a cargo of Caledonian Company's coal at Newcastle for San Francisco, and has called here to replenish her bunkers.

THE ABANDONED MAELGWYN.

No further news came to hand yesterday respecting the dismasted and abandoned barque Maelgwyn, which was sighted on the 28th ult. drifting to the northwest of Lord Howe Island. The steamer Induna was due at Norfolk Island yesterday from Sydney, via Lord Howe Island, en route to the New Hebrides, and she will probably bring news of the crew.

HUDDART, PARKER, AND CO.'S LINE.

The Barwon leaves Melbourne on Saturday for Sydney and Newcastle.

The Burrumbeet left Melbourne for Adelaide and Western Australia yesterday.

The Corio is due at Sydney on the 12th inst from Edithburg.

The Moorabool leaves Newcastle for Melbourne on Saturday.

The Riverina is at Sydney, and departs for Wellington on Saturday.

The Victoria leaves Wellington for Auckland to-day. She is due here on 15th inst.

The Westralia is due at Sydney from Hobart to-day.

The Wimmera left Sydney for Auckland yesterday.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Changsha arrived at Sydney on Friday morning, 1st inst, from Eastern ports, and continued her voyage to Melbourne on Saturday afternoon. She is due back in Sydney on Tuesday, 12th inst.

The Chingtu left Port Darwin on Saturday afternoon, en route from China and Japan, and is due to arrive in Sydney on 13th inst.

The Taiyuan left Port Darwin on 28th ult, en route from Australian ports to the East. She is due to arrive in Hongkong on 8th inst.

The Taiyuan is scheduled to leave Hongkong on 11th inst en route from Japan to Australian ports. She is due to arrive in Sydney on March 6.

THE GERMAN-AUSTRALIAN LINE.

The Apolda left Sydney yesterday for Hamburg, via ports. The Augsburg now at Port Pirie, is due Sydney Feb. 13. The Bergedorf left Algoa Bay Jan. 25, and is due at Melbourne Feb. 15, and Sydney Feb. 20. The Bielefeld is at Hamburg. The Duisburg left Hamburg Jan. 17, outward, and is due at Fremantle on March 8. The Elbing left Hamburg Jan. 22, outward, and is due at Melbourne March 6. The Goslar arrived at Suez Jan. 23, homeward. The Hagen left Port Adelaide Jan. 24, homeward. The Harburg left Padang Dec. 29, homeward. The Itzehoe left Port Adelaide Jan. 5, homeward. The Kiel left Fremantle Feb. 2, due Adelaide Feb. 7. The Laeisz left Townsville Feb. 3, homeward, and is due at Macassar Feb. 12. The Linden left Fremantle Jan. 26, homeward. The Magdeburg arrived at Sourabaya Jan. 3, homeward. The Meissen left Hamburg Dec. 30, outward, and is due at Melbourne Feb. 21. The Oberhausen arrived at Manila Feb. 5. The Offenbach is loading at Scandinavian ports, and is due to leave Gothenburg. The Ottensen is at Hamburg. The Reichenbach left East London Jan. 31, and is due at Fremantle Feb. 16. The Rostock left Hamburg Jan. 28, outward, and is due at Melbourne March 21. The Solingen, now at Sydney, leaves for Brisbane Feb. 7. The Sonneberg arrived at Singapore Jan. 3, homeward. The Varzin passed Thursday Island Jan. 6, homeward. The Alster arrived at Melbourne Feb. 3, homeward.

THE BAR HARBOURS.

The following reports were received yesterday from the coastal harbours:—Camden Haven Heads, 6ft 6in on bar, at high water; Manning Heads, 9ft on bar, soundings in line, with beacons on wall; Cape Hawke, 7ft on bar at high water, day tide; Ballina, 14ft on bar, 13ft 6in on inside channel at high water; Yamba, 15ft 3in on bar, 3ft 3in rise of tide, 14ft on crossing; Tweed Heads, 13ft on bar, 9ft 6in on inner bar, 2ft 7in rise, 8ft 7in on crossing.

NEW CHARTERS.

Messrs. Nelson and Robertson have received advice as to the following new charters:—

Edmund, 4-m. bq, Sydney to United Kingdom or Continent.

Banklands, bq, Norway to Melbourne.

Edward Detaille, Fr. bq, Sydney to United Kingdom or Continent.

Lucknow, bq, Sydney to West Coast.

Benicia, bq, Sydney to Rotterdam.

Rollo, bq, London to Hobart and Launceston.

SAILING VESSELS DUE.

The following sailing vessels are now due at Sydney:—

Ancaios, sh, from Antofagasta—69 days.
Cambusdoon, bq, from Coronel—69 days.
Eudora, 4-m. bq, from Callao—51 days.
Euphrosyne, sh, from New York—102 days.
Jessomene, sh, from Pisagua—56 days.
Kinross-shire, 4-m. bq, from Hamburg—121 days.
Largo Bay, bq, from Glasgow—106 days.
Lindfield, 4-m. bq, from London—84 days.
Neuilly, bq, from Antofagasta—70 days.
Pegasus, 4-m. bq, from Antofagasta—59 days.
Rhine, sh, from Fremantle—33 days.
Sainte Anne, bq, from Tocopilla—62 days.
Samaritan, 4-m. bq, from Salina Cruz—60 days.
Susanna, sh, from Coquimbo—56 days.
Valparaiso, 4-m. bq, from Iquique—67 days.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING.

PORT DARWIN (2540 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, H.M.S. Pegasus, from Colombo, en route to Sydney.

THURSDAY ISLAND (2000 miles).—Dep: Feb. 6, Chingtu, s, for Sydney.

TOWNSVILLE (1370 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Arawatta, s, from Sydney.

KEPPEL BAY (877 miles).—Dep: Feb. 6, Wodonga, s, for Sydney.

BRISBANE (500 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Gulf of Venice, s, from Manila. Dep: Feb. 6, Tay, s, for Maryborough; Peregrine, s, for Sydney; Euryalus, s, for Java; Flinders, s, for Bundaberg.

TWEED HEADS (374 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Duranbah, s, at 1.25 p.m.; Mokau, s, at 2.5 p.m., both from Sydney. Passed: Feb. 6, a 2-m str., at 5 a.m., Augusta, s, at 11.15 a.m., both south.

BYRON BAY (345 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Augusta, s, at 2 p.m. Dep: Feb. 5, Cavanba, s, at 8.15 p.m., for Sydney.

RICHMOND RIVER HEADS (331 miles).—Dep: Feb. 6, Macleay, s, at 10.35 a.m., Brundah, s, at 2.25 p.m., both for Sydney.

CLARENCE HEADS (296 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Macleay, s, at 2.30 p.m., from Richmond River. Dep: Feb. 6, Kyogle, s, at 11.50 a.m., for Sydney; Rio Loge, aux. brig, at 1.45 p.m., for Dunedin (N.Z.).

WOOLGOOLGA (254 miles).—Passed: Feb. 6, a large str., with hull down, at 6 p.m., heading NE; a str., with red funnel at 4 p.m., like Wyandra, s, at 4.20 p.m., a small str., with white hull, like a yacht, at 6 p.m., all south.

NAMBUCCA HEADS (223 miles).—Feb. 6, Rockliliy, s, and Nerong, s, both barbound; Lansdowne, ktch, outside bar, shoaled.

SMOKY CAPE (205 miles).—Passed: Feb. 6, Aramac, s, at 3.15 p.m., Allinga, s, at 3.30 p.m., both north.

PORT MACQUARIE (174 miles).—Dep: Feb. 6, Pyrmont, s, at 12.25 p.m., Trilby, s, at 3.20 p.m., both for Sydney.

TACKING POINT (169 miles).—Passed: Feb. 6, Burrawong, s, at 1.5 p.m., Nymboida, s, at 3.45 p.m., Antleon, dredge, at 4 p.m., Tomki, s, at 4.10 p.m., all north; Marloo, s, at 3.30 p.m., south.

CROWDY HEAD (147 miles).—Passed: Feb. 6, Cavanba, s, at 4.25 p.m., Pyrmont, s, at 4.35 p.m., Marloo, s, at 5 p.m., all south.

MANNING HEADS (144 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Kincumber, s, at 10.50 a.m., from Newcastle; Eroka, s, at 12.30 p.m., from Sydney. Dep: Feb. 6, Antleon, dredge, at 11.30 a.m.

CAPE HAWKE (125 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Marion Mayfield, tug, at 1.50 p.m., from Manning River; Bellinger, s, at 2.15 p.m., from Sydney.

PORT STEPHENS (88 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Willinga, sch, at 7.10 a.m., a ketch, at 11.25 a.m., Galatea, tug, with Powerful, punt, in tow, at 5 p.m., Federal, sch, at 5 p.m. Passed: Feb. 6, Galgabba, ktch, and Friendship, s, at 10.35 a.m., Cooloon, s, at noon; Galatea, tug, and Alpha, sch, at 7 p.m., all south; St. George, s, at 6.20 p.m., north; Jubilee, sch, and Candidate, ketch, anchored in Shoal Bay.

NEWCASTLE (62 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Newcastle, s, Cavan, bqtn, Myee, s, Murray, s, Moorabool, s, Dorrigo, s, Wallsend, s, all from Sydney; Magdalene, s, and Williams, s, both from Port Stephens; Juno, bq, from Rio Janeiro. Dep: Feb. 6, Bramley, s, for San Francisco, via Sydney; Drumcliffe, s, for San Francisco; Karori, s, for Port Kembla; Alice, s, Murray, s, Wallsend, s, Tarshaw, s, Kurrara, s, all for Sydney; Zamora, s, for Manila; New Guinea, s, for Melbourne; Riversdale, sh, for West Coast; Dorrigo, s, for Coff's Harbour and Woolgoolga.

CATHERINE HILL BAY (48 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Illaroo, s, at 4 p.m.

SOUTH HEAD (4 miles).—Passed: Feb. 6, Karori, s, at 10.25 a.m.; Dart, training ship, at 1.40 p.m., both south.

BELLAMBI (41 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Marjorie, s, at 6 a.m. Dep: Feb. 5, Glaucus, s, at 11 p.m., for Melbourne. Feb. 6, Currajong, s, at 1.30 a.m.

KIAMA (59 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Illawarra, s, at 1 p.m., for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS (74 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Peterborough, s, at 4.45 a.m., from Sydney; Coomonderry, s, at 6.20 a.m., from Sydney.

JERVIS BAY (87 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Hilda, sch, at 11.40 a.m. Passed: Feb. 6, Tuncurry, s, at 2.25 a.m., south; a four-masted bq, south-east, 15 miles, at 3.15 p.m., beating north.

MORUYA HEADS (141 miles).—Passed: Feb. 6, Federal, s, at 11 a.m., like Commonwealth, s, at 3.30 p.m., both south.

EDEN (210 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Eden, s, at 12.25 a.m., from Sydney. Dep: Feb. 6, Eden, s, at 7 a.m., from Sydney.

GREEN CAPE (218 miles).—Passed: Feb. 6, Laertes, s, at 12.30 p.m., a large steamer, with light yellow funnel, at 3 p.m., like Dilkera, s, at 4.15 p.m., all south.

GABO (235 miles).—Passed: Feb. 6, Topaz, cutter, at 9.24 a.m., Wyandra, s, at 11.30 a.m., both west.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY (426 miles).—Passed outward: Feb. 6, Wollowra, s, at 4.40 a.m.; Brisbane, s, at 7.5 a.m.; Sandakan, s, at 8.15 a.m.; Koorinda, s, at 1.30 p.m.

LOW HEAD (509 miles).—Dep: Feb. 6, Wakatipu, s, at 10 a.m., for Sydney.

MELBOURNE (576 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Damascus, s, Persic, s, and Durham, s, all from London; Loongana, s, from Launceston; Derwent, Norwegian sh, from New York. Dep: Feb. 4, Warrimoo, s, for Hobart; Bombala, s, for Townsville; Scharnhorst, G.M.S., for Bremen; Orontes, R.M.S., for Sydney; Burrumbeet, s, and Monaro, s, both for Fremantle; Loongana, s, for Launceston; Speculant, both, for Kaipara; Jane Moorhead, ktch, for Wynyard (Tas.); Alster, s, for Hamburg; Mintaro, s, for Newcastle.

ADELAIDE (1084 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Inverclyde, s, from New York; Chillagoe, s, from Bellambi. Dep: Feb. 6, Hyson, s, for United Kingdom.

PORT PIRIE (1236 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Wonga Fell, s, from Newcastle. Dep: Feb. 6, Ardova, s, for Sydney.

FREMANTLE (2466 miles).—Arr: Feb. 5, Silverstream, bq, from Liverpool; Coolgardie, s, at 4 p.m., from Geraldton; Yongala, s, from the eastern States. Feb. 6, Nera, F.M.S., from the eastern States. Dep: Feb. 6, Coolgardie, s, at 11.35 a.m., for the eastern States; Marmora, R.M.S., at 11.30 a.m., for Sydney, via Adelaide and Melbourne.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

AUCKLAND (1281 miles).—Arr: Feb. 6, Sonoma, R.M.S., at 6.30 p.m., from Sydney; Empress, bq, from Edithburg; Northern Chief, bq, from Newcastle.

HOKIANGA.—Arr: Feb. 6, Njord, Norwegian bq, from Sydney.

WELLINGTON (1239 miles).—Dep: Feb. 6, Orari, s, for London.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Wednesday.

Average rainfall for 48 years, 48.690.

Total rainfall from Jan. 1, 1907, to Feb. 6, 2.809.

Total for corresponding period last year, 2.212.

Temperatures: Maximum, 77.5; minimum, 67.1; 9 p.m., 70.8.

Barometer: 9 a.m., 30.004; 3 p.m., 29.883; 9 p.m., 29.834.

Humidity: 9 a.m., 91; 3 p.m., 68, 9 p.m., 90.

Wind: Greatest velocity, 27 miles per hour.

BAROMETER READINGS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 29.79; Geraldton, 29.81; Perth, 30.02; Esperance Bay, 30.16; Eucla, 30.08; Streaky Bay, 29.99; Adelaide, 29.89; Robe, 29.86; Portland, 29.83; Melbourne, 29.92; Wilson's Promontory, 29.94; Gabo Island, 29.91; Cape St. George, 29.99; Newcastle, 30.02; Port Macquarie, 30.06; Clarence Heads, 30.00; Brisbane, 29.99; Rockhampton, 29.92; Mackay, 29.87; Cooktown, 29.83.

RAINFALL REGISTRATIONS.

New South Wales (for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Araluen 4 points, Bateman's Bay 2, Camden Haven 3, Clarence 3, Cobar 5, Cooma 6, Crookhaven 6, Euston 3, Gabo Island 1, Hay 7, Jervis Bay 6, Kiama 9, Lawson 1, Picton 2, Sydney 3, Taralga 3, Tumbarumba 3, Ulladulla 1, Wollongong 20.

Additional reports received at 6 p.m.:—Albury 44 points, Cooma 18, Deniliquin 33, Forbes 48, Goulburn 75, Hay 11, Hillston 12, Katoomba 86, Lawson 101, Moruya 61, Mount Victoria 37, Sydney 6, Taralga 54, Tocumwal 52, Wagga 8.

SCOPE OF RAINFALL.

New South Wales.—Light at isolated places over southern highlands and coastal parts.

South Australia.—Light to moderate, with thunder showers over southern areas.

Victoria.—Light over eastern half, and light to heavy elsewhere.

SYNOPSIS.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended 9 a.m.).—Close and muggy conditions ruled generally. Some high temperatures were recorded inland north of the Lachlan River, many stations recording 100 degrees or over. Unsettled or thundery conditions ruled over southern, highland, and coastal parts, but light rainfall, generally below ½-inch, resulted at only a few scattered places.

Victoria.—Raining lightly, or showery generally, thundershowers in NW.

Tasmania.—Showery in north, cloudy elsewhere.

South Australia.—Clear, warm, and sultry inland, cloudy and cool over southern districts.

Queensland.—More or less cloudy in coastal parts.

Western Australia.—Fine in SW and over Coolgardie fields, cloudy elsewhere.

RIVER REPORTS.

The heights above summer level of the inland rivers on Wednesday were as follow:—Albury, 1ft 10in; Balranald, 2ft 9in; Bingara, 1ft, f; Beggabilla, 7ft 6in, f; Booligal, 3ft 5in, f; Bourke, 17ft 2in, r; Brewarrina, 6ft 6in, f; Condobolin, 1ft 5in; Cowra, 1ft 7in; Deniliquin, 2ft 9in; Dubbo, 3ft; Euabalong, 3ft; Euston, 11ft 3in; Goodooga, 7ft 11in, r; Gundagai, 1ft 6in; Gunnedah, low; Hay, 1ft 10in; Hillston, 3ft 1in, f; Kunopia, low; Louth, 20ft 10in r; Manilla, low; Menindie, 19ft; Moama, 11ft 9in; Mogil Mogil, 6ft 1in, f; Mossgiel, 3ft 5in; Mungundi, 8ft 2in, f; Narrandera, 7ft 11in; Pooncarie, 17ft 3in; Tilpa, 20ft 5in, f; Tocumwal, 5ft; Wagga Wagga, 2ft 8in; Wentworth, 9ft 9in; Wilcannia, 23ft, f; Yetman, 7ft; Barwon River at Walgett, 22ft 2in, f; Namoi River at Walgett, 12ft 9in, f.

Note.—R, rising; f, falling.

COASTAL WEATHER REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, SE, light, fine, sea moderate; Byron Bay, NE, light, fine, sea smooth; Ballina, ENE, fine, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, E, light, fine, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, NE, light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, NE, light, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, ENE, light, fine, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, NE, moderate, dull, sea smooth; Manning Heads, NE, moderate, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, NE, fresh, hazy, sea smooth; Port Stephens, NE, strong, fine, sea rough; Newcastle, NE, strong, cloudy, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, NE, fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Catherine Hill Bay, NE, fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Barranjoey, NE, strong, cloudy, sea smooth; South Head, NE, fresh, raining, sea moderate; Wollongong, NE, fresh, thick raining, sea smooth; Kiama, NE, light, showery, sea moderate; Moruya, NE, moderate, thunderstorm, sea moderate; Eden, NE, fresh, showery, sea moderate; Green Cape, NE, strong, showery, sea moderate; Gabo Island, NE, strong, squally, cloudy, sea rough.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Stormy, E to NE winds, veering later to SE, with rain squalls associated with thunder over southern and south coastal districts; finer over northern areas.—A. Noble.

Victoria.—Rapidly becoming finer, especially inland, some showers, at first chiefly in eastern and coastal districts; fresh south-westerly and southerly winds; sea moderate to rough.—P. Baracchi.

South Australia.—Generally fine, with cool southerly winds and rising barometers.—R. F. Griffiths.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR FEB. 7.

Sun rises at 5.22, sets at 6.56; Moon, 12 noon, 1.22 p.m.; Mercury, 5.37 a.m., 7.12 p.m.; Venus, 1.35 a.m., 3.51 p.m.; Mars, 11.46 a.m., 1.46 p.m.; Jupiter, 4 p.m., 1.56 a.m.; Saturn, 7.20 a.m., 8.19 p.m.

New Moon, Feb. 13. Full Moon, Feb. 28.

High Water at Fort Denison 2.56 a.m., 3.33 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.

Victoria.—Overland, 5.30 and 7 p.m.

Queensland.—Overland, 3.45 p.m.

Eden.—Bega, 9 a.m.

Macleay River.—Ramornie, 11 a.m.

Hobart (direct).—Oonah, 11 a.m.

Ballina, Broadwater, and Wardell (R.R.).—City of Grafton, 1 p.m.

Port Macquarie.—Pyrmont, 4 p.m.

Port Macquarie.—Wauchope, 4 p.m.

United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius, via Adelaide.—G.M.S. Scharnhorst, 5.30 p.m.

G.M.S. Scharnhorst (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 5.30 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide and Albany.—Burrumbeet, 5.30 p.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 5.30 p.m.

Natal and Capetown, via Melbourne.—Salamis, 7 p.m.

Strahan, Zeehan, and North-West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Orion, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Eden.—Eden, 9 a.m.

Manning River.—Electra, 11 a.m.

Noumea, via Newcastle.—St. Louis, 5.30 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Melbourne.—Peregrine, 11 a.m.

Brisbane.—Bombala, 11 a.m.

Wellington, etc., N.Z. (direct).—Riverina, 11 a.m.

Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, via Wellington.—Rimutaka, 11 a.m.

Macleay River and Byron Bay, via Newcastle.—Cavanba, noon.

Fiji, Rotumah, Fortuna, and Wallis Island.—South Australian, 1 p.m.

Nelson's Bay and Tea Gardens.—Hawke, 1 p.m.

Richmond River.—Brundah, 7 p.m.

Clarence River.—Kyogle, 8 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide and Albany.—Kadina, 9.30 p.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 9.30 p.m.

Strahan, Zeehan, and North-West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Flora, 9.30 p.m.

Batavia and other Java Ports, Macassar, Menado, Tontalo, and Banda Neira, via Adelaide.—Kiel, 9.30 p.m.

MONDAY.

Hobart (direct).—Westralia, 11 a.m.

Eden.—Bega, 1 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Wardell (R.R.).—Tomki, 1 p.m.

New Britain, German New Guinea, Manila (P.I.), Hongkong, and Japan, via Brisbane.—Sandakan, 3.45 p.m.

Nelson's Bay and Tea Gardens.—Hawke, 1 p.m.

United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per R.M.S. Orient, 5.30 p.m.

R.M.S. Orient (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 5.30 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide.—R.M.S. Orient, 5.30 p.m.

Dunedin, etc., N.Z., via Melbourne.—Moeraki, 5.30 p.m.

Hobart, via Melbourne.—Moeraki, 5.30 p.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 5.30 p.m.

Clarence River.—Kallatina, 8 p.m.

Lame back may be cured by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm two or three times a day, with a vigorous rubbing at each application. For sale everywhere, 1s 6d. Advt.

A FACT.

PEARS' SOAP is sought to-day by everybody, and has maintained its reputation as the best of all toilet soaps for more than 100 years.—Advt.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A rather larger volume of business was carried through on the investment side of the Stock and Share market yesterday. Prices had a hardening tendency. Bank of New South Wales shares improved a further 2s 6d, Queensland National Bank shares 1s 1d, Commercial of Australia (assets) 3d, Queensland National Deposits 6d, Howard Smith ordinary, 20s paid, 4d, North Coast Steam (new) 3d, and Perpetual Trustee, 3d.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: Queensland National Bank, 16s 1d; North Coast Steam, 26s; Queensland National Bank, Inscribed stock, 17s net; Commercial Bank of Australia Assets, 17s; Commercial Building and Investment, 2s 6d; Howard Smith ordinary, 20s paid, 34s 7d; Bank of New South Wales, £50 2s 6d. Afternoon: Western Australian 4 per cent. Inscribed Stock, £100 15s; North Coast Steam, new, 14s; Burns, Philp, and Co., 40s; Sydney Hydraulic, 10s paid, 16s 6d; Fresh Food and Ice, 12s 6d; Perpetual Trustee, 12s 9d; Queensland National Inscribed, 17s. Later: Western Australian 4 per cent. Inscribed Stock, £101 1s 6d.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital Paid up.	Amount of Shares	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	*Yield to Investor
					£	£	£	p.c.
GOV. STOCK. N.S.W. F.S., due 1912	4,006,782	...	..	3	90	89	91½	3¾
Do., due 1912	1,250,175	...	...	3½	100	99	...	3¾
Do., due 1912	2,549,350	...	...	4	103¾	102	...	3¾
Do., due 1924-5	—	—	—	3	92	90	—	3¼
Do., due 1918	...	...	...	3½	100½	99	...	3½
Do., Act 1873	530,180	—	—	4	107	106	...	3¾
Do., 4 p.c., due 9/8/07	250,000	—	..	4	100¾	100	...	3¼
Do., due 1909	...	...	...	...	—	100½	...	4
Do., Deb. 1908	...	...	...	4	—	100	—	4
Do., T. Bills, 1906	1,100,700	...	...	3½	100	99	...	3½
Ditto	795,000	...	—	4	100½	100	...	3¾
N.Z. do., 1909	200,000	—	—	4	104	101	...	3½
N.Z. Deb., 1913	...	—	—	4	—	100	...	...
Do., 1922	...	—	—	4	—	...	102	...
Queens. deb., 1913	...	...	...	4	99½	100	..	4
Do., Tr. Bills	530,000	...	...	4	102	102½	...	3¾
W.A. Inscr.	...	...	...	4	101 1/8	100	101¼	3¾
Austrln. Gas Deb., 1922	200,000	...	—	4	102½	101	103	3¾
City Sydney Deb.	220,000	...	—	4	102	102	—	3¾
Do., 1920	100,000	...	—	4	102	103	—	3¾
Col. Sugar D., 1914	—	—	—	5	105	106	—	4¾
Chil'gue, deb.	...	—	—	—	—	82	—	—
BANKS. Aust. J.S.	154,578	2½	1	...	...	...	—	—
Aust'lasia ++	1,600,000	40	40	12	101½	101	...	4¾
City	240,000	10	8	9½	72/6	71/	72/6	5¾
New	160,000	10	8	2½	68/	67/	—	6
Commercial of Aust.	84,882	10/	10/	...	16/8	15/	15/9	...
Ditto, pref.	2,117,290	10	10	8	6/11/9	...	6¾	4¾
Com. Syd. ‡‡	1,000,000	25	12½	10	32½	32½	...	3¾
N. of Aust.‡‡	1,192,440	8	5	4	95/	93/	...	4¼
Ditto, pref.‡‡	305,780	10	10	5	11/3/	11¼	...	4
N.S.W.	2,000,000	20	20	10	50½	50	...	4
N. Zealand	427,819	6¾	5½	5	8/12/6	9	...	5½
N. Queensl'd	100,000	7	2	2½	21/	21/6	...	4¾
Q'sland Nat.	413,062	5	3	..	16/1	15/6	...	...
Roy'l of Q.	437,815	9	6½	3½	95/net	95/	—	4¾
Union ‡‡	1,500,000	75	25	12	54	50	—	5¾
DEPOSITS. A.J.S. Bk.—Class B	...	—	—	8	15/	15/	15/4	4¾
Class B, 1917	...	—	—	...	13/	13/	14/	...
Do., Insn.	788,023	...	—	3½	13/	13/	14/	4¼
Com. of Aus. Assets	3,334,903	...	—	3	17/	16/9	17/3	4
E.S.A. Insc. pref.	889,419	...	—	3	13/8	13/	...	4¾
Do., Def.	808,758	...	—	4½	9	18/6	...	5¾
Do., Deb.	983,347	...	—	...	18/10	18/6	19/3	4¼
Q. Nat.	3,116,621	...	...	3½	17/1	17/	17/3	4½
STEAM. Bal. Ferry	80,000	1	1	10	43/	43/	—	4¾
Illawarra ++	49,797	1	15/	7	23/	22/9	—	4¾
How'd Smith 20s paid	250,000	20/	20/	10/	34/7	34/3	35/	5¾
Do., 5s pd.	...	...	...	...	7/	...	...	...
Pref. 20s paid	...	20/	20/	5	20/8	20/4½	21/	4¾
Ditto, 5s pd	...	...	...	...	5/6	5/3	...	4¾
Newcastle‡‡	100,000	1	1	6	24/	23/9	25/	5
Nth. Coast++	131,250	1	17/6	8	26/	25/9	26/3	5¾
Do., new	...	...	7/6	...	14/	13/3	14/	...
Syd. Ferries‡	140,000	1	1	10	82/	...	72/6	5¾
Ditto, new	...	1	10/	...	48/	50/	65/	...
Pt. Jackson‡‡	25,000	10	25/	10	67/6	55/	...	2¾
Ditto, deb. ‡‡	8,745	1	1	5	20/	23/	25/	5¾
INSUR'NCE. A.M. Fire	82,500	1	12/6	14½	43/8	43/	...	4¾
Mer. Mut. ++	45,000	1	6/	1½	17/6	17/6	17/8	4¾
New Zealand	250,000	10	2	15	80/	78/	81/	7¼
N. Q'sland	50,000	1	10/	8	15	15/8	...	5¼
United	85,402	...	2½	12½	57	5¼	...	5¼
Col. Mut. Fire	100,000	...	20/	20½	48/9	...	48/	8
COAL. Bellambi++	175,000	1	1	15	47/6	46/6	50/	6¼
East Greta‡‡	150,000	1	1	5	24/	...	24/	4¾
South Greta	9,000	10/	10/	...	9/	8/	10/	...
Ditto, new	16,000	10/	6/	...	8/	6/8	...	...
Red'n Greta	42,550	1	1	...	...	5/	...	...
Hetton	123,065	5	5	6	35/	...	30/	17¼
Newcastle	106,000	11	10	...	9/9/	...	8	18
Stockton	95,631	1	1	4	4/	2/	...	7¼
New	...	...	15/	4	1/net	...	1d	...
Y. of Cl'dd‡‡	30,000	1	1	10	20/	...	31/	6¾
Wallsend	40,000	10	4	+10/	24½	23	25	7¼
Waratah	...	...	...	1/	7/	6/	...	2
Wickham & Bullock Is	104,945	1	1	...	3/	3/	...	...
New	...	1	13/	...	...	...	...	...
Preferential	...	1	20/	...	8/	5/9	...	...
North Bulli	100,000	1	20/	...	12/6	...	12/6	...
GAS. Albury	7,500	1	12/6	10	22/	21	...	5¾
Australian‡‡	720,000	6	6	15	19	18¾	19	4¾
Ditto, New‡‡	...	6	3	15	10½	10¾	...	4¾
Char. Towers	20,000	10	10/	10	14/9	13/6	15/	4
Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	57/6	57/	...	5¼
Grafton ++	6,000	1	1	8	30/4½	30/	...	5¾
Katoomba & Leura, paid	7,734	1	20/	...	19/	18/	20/	...
Maitland	15,000	5	5	7	...	6¾	...	5¼
Manly	18,000	1	1	8	31/	31/6	...	5¼
Ditto, New	7,000	1	15/	8	26/6	27/	...	4¾
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	7	20/	20/	...	7
Newcastle ++	45,000	2	2	15	6¼	6¼	...	4¾
Nth. Shore	150,000	1	1	7	40/6	40/	41/6	3¼
BR'W'RIES. C. & Wood Bros.	250,000	1	1	4	11/4½	11/1½	11/7½	8
Perkins'	100,000	15/	15/	21½	36/	35/	36/	9
Toohey's	400,000	16/	16/	5	11/6	...	11/8	7
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	8	32/9	32/6	32/9	5
MISCELN'S. Aaron's	17,500	15/	10/	5	2/	...	2/	25
Aust. News	40,000	1	1	...	15/	15/3	...	...
R.H.W. Sup.	265,000	1	1	4/6	19/3	...	21/	9¼
Burns, Philp.	250,000	1	1	...	40/	39/6	40/	5
New Issue	35,000	1	10/	8	16/6	20/	...	4½
Brooks & Co	...	...	...	...	...	18/	22/	...
Do., pref.	...	...	...	...	...	20/	22/	...
Col. Sugar	2,095,200	20	20	10	42	42	42¼	4¾
Dalgety and Co.‡‡	1,000,000	20	5	7	6/8/6	6¼	...	5¾
DunlopPneu. Tyre, pref.	88,000	1	1	7	19/6	21/	...	7½
Fenn B. Hall	...	...	...	...	4/10½	5/	...	...
Ditto pref.	...	...	...	...	...	15/6	...	...
Fenn & Pros. Gravel‡‡	27,200	1	16	7	6/9	6/9	...	16¾
Goodlet & Smith	165,000	15/	15/	6	14/	...	16/	6¾
Mel. Trms.	490,000	1	10	12½	28/8	34/	...	4¼
M. de Piete	74,519	1	1	10	40/	40/	...	5
Mort's Dock	200,000	1	1	6	16/	16/	16/3	7½
Ditto, pref.	45,311	1	1	7	21/3	21/	...	6
F. Food. Ice	91,730	12/	10/	8	12/6	12/3	12/9	6¾
Prm. Trst. ++	25,000	5	2/6	10	5/3	5/2	...	4¾
Perp. Tst. ‡‡	25,000	10	5/	10	12/9	12/6	13/	3¾
Richardson & Wrench‡‡	60,000	1	1	5	13/8	13/3	...	7¼
Shale & Oil	...	...	...	...	1/1	...	...	...
Silv. Tram	197,806	1	1	20	101/	101/	102/	6
Syd. Exch.‡‡	50,000	10	10	6	12½	11¼	...	4¾
Syd. Hyd.	75,000	1	1	10	35/6	34/6	36/	5¾
Ditto	37,500	1	10/	10	16/6	16/3	16/9	6
Ditto Hyd. & O.E.	...	1	12/6	15	26/3	26/	...	7¼
Syd. Cyclorama	20,000	1	20	...	...	13/	18/	...
Vol. LandOr.	15,000	...	...	...	120	...	...	...
W. H. Soul, Patt. & Co.	120,000	1	1	10	40/6	40/	...	5
Y. M. Hall	6,000	...	20/	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto, pref.	2,700	...	20/	...	...	16/	...	...
Hotel Metropole	75,000	...	20/	6	21/3	21/	...	5¾
Ditto, pref.	17,567	...	20/	6	...	21/	...	...
EmuCorp'sta	500,000	1	20/	...	...	...	...	...
Q'sland Meat Ex. & Agency	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto, new	...	...	...	...	12/	...	...	...
LAND & BD. Com. B. & I.	...	...	...	...	2/6	2/	2/6	—
Excels. Dep.	...	...	...	...	8/	...	...	...
H'mktShares	...	...	...	...	...	21/	...	...
Ind. Prov.	45,530	28	...	8	19	20	...	...
Intern. Inves.	37,935	1	15/	10	31/	31/	35/	4¾
News. B. & I.	...	...	...	6	19/	...	...	...
Syd. Free L.	17,500	...	7/	...	3/6	...	...	6

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly bas. † Per share. ‡‡ Ex dividend. ** Ex interim. § Call paid.

INTESTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Adelaide Steamship, b 43s, s 50s; Melbourne Trams, b 35s, s 39s; Perth Gas, b 47s, s 49s.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Queensland National Bank, b 16s 3d, s 17s; ditto, inscribed stock, b 16s 9d, s 17s 1d.

Sales.—Royal Bank, preference £10 shares, £10.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Victorian 4 per cents., 1912, £104; Commercial Bank, pref., £6 9s, £6 10s; Union Bank, £58; Metropolitan Gas, £10 9s; Melbourne Tram, 35s 9d; Silverton Tram, £5 2s 6d, £5 3s; Howard Smith (20s paid), 34s 3d.

FINANCIAL.

THE SILVER MARKET.

In our issue of yesterday it was noted that last year the Indian Government purchased no less than two-thirds of the world's estimated production of silver. We in New South Wales are largely involved in the future of this metal, and it is therefore interesting to consider whether there is any likelihood of this extraordinary demand being continued. It must, of course, be generally realised that had India been out of the way prices to-day would not be nearly as high as they are. As a matter of fact, India has been exceedingly prosperous, and there has in consequence been a larger demand to satisfy the ordinary requirements of trade. Then, in addition, the hoarding propensities of the Indian people could of necessity be indulged in to a greater extent in time of abundance than at any other time. While prices of raw products continue high there would appear no likelihood of India being otherwise than prosperous, and consequently demanding silver, unless, of course, another of those terrible droughts, which appear to be periodic in that country, sets in. Besides India, the United States has been taking a good deal of the white metal for coining purposes, and the English Mint has also resumed purchases for home requirements. The Mexican Government has availed itself of the opportunity of getting rid of its surplus stocks of silver dollars, which have ever been a cause of uncertainty on the market.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF COMPANY LAW.

For some little time the legal sectional committee of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce has been giving attention to one particular phase of the law relating to companies which is regarded as objectionable. It has come to the decision that the jurisdiction now exercised by the Supreme Court in equity over the winding up of companies should be transferred to the Court of Bankruptcy. Among the reasons given are:—

1. The Registrar in Bankruptcy could during vacation determine many matters that now have to stand over.

2. The Judge in Bankruptcy could delegate to the Registrar the power of adjudicating upon petitions for winding up of companies. Bankruptcy petitions are at present dealt with very expeditiously by the Registrar, but a petition to wind up a company has to go in the list amongst all the multifarious business of the Equity Court and await its turn. The delay is a serious grievance.

3. After a winding up order has been made many points arise that necessitate reference to the Court. These could be summarily dealt with by the Registrar. Thus delay and expense might both be avoided.

4. The modern tendency is to recognise that the winding up of companies should be in accordance with the general principles governing the administration of bankrupt estates.

5. The Registrar in Bankruptcy has power of adjudicating upon petitions involving large numbers of individuals associated in partnership and where large sums of money are concerned, and make all the individuals of the partnership bankrupt in respect of the partnership debts. In view of this it is not considered inexpedient to invest the Registrar with power to adjudicate in the case of companies which are only aggregations of individuals and where the individual liability of shareholders is far more limited than that of members of a partnership.

Other reasons are given, but these are the chief.

MONT DE PIETE.

The report of the New South Wales Mont de Piete Deposit and Investment Company, Ltd., for the half-year ended December 31 shows that the gross profits amounted to £8253, which, with £503 brought forward and less working expenses, etc., left a net credit balance of £4226. The board proposes to apportion this sum as follows:—To dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, £3726, leaving £500 to be carried forward. As the company's auditors desire to have the interest upon current advances still further rebated, the directors propose to use the surplus profits for that purpose, instead of increasing the reserve funds, which now stand at £26,102. The following comparison may be made:—

Half-year ended Dec. 31.	1905.	1906.
	£	£
Net profits	5,293	3,724
Dividend per cent.	10	10
Amount of dividend	3,723	3,726
To reserve fund	1,000	..
Forward	1,198	500
Capital paid up	74,469	74,519
Reserve fund	21,101	26,101
Fixed deposits, etc	8,643	2,080
Freehold property, etc	20,159	20,174
Advances, etc	89,291	82,091

DEPRECIATION OF GOLD.

This interesting subject has once more come up for discussion in financial circles in the other side of the world. If those who hold with the theory that the prices of commodities are largely influenced by the amount of gold produced be correct, then this is one of the most important factors of the commercial situation to-day. Australia is prosperous at the present moment owing to two great causes. One is the favourableness of the seasons, and the other the high prices ruling for our products. If the depreciation of gold is the cause of the latter, then it has a very close personal interest to every business man and producer in this country. What has once more raised this subject in England has been the publication of an interesting paper on "The Production of Gold and its Effect upon Prices," read by Mr. Alexander Macindoe, of the Glasgow Stock Exchange, before the economic section of the local philosophical society. According to Mr. Macindoe, gold, like any other commodity, decreases in value when produced in abundance. This decrease is expressed in augmented prices for other commodities whose market price is expressed in gold. The gold coin used in calculating prices remains the same in weight, in fineness, our sovereign continues to be exchanged for raw gold of standard fineness at the price of £3 17s 9d in coined gold, but the coin grows less effective as a medium of exchange against everything else. That is broadly the economic law, but all sorts of cross currents and interrupting or disturbing influences come into play to hide its operation. Of the concrete results, however, there can be no question. Prices of commodities expressed in gold tend to rise as the metal becomes more plentiful, and with the rise comes speculation, an apparent ease in becoming rich, also an eager anticipation of the future out of which spring all manner of difficulties. Nothing is more striking in Mr. Macindoe's thoughtful essay than the way in which he brings out the fact that times of monetary stringency, of panic, coincide with a too abundant outpouring of the yellow metal from the mines. The metal fires the imagination of all classes of people and tempts them into adventures that overengage their resources; wealth is dissipated instead of accumulated, and as prices ascend the credit resources of banks and capitalists of all classes are drawn upon until exhaustion supervenes and the abundance of gold ends by producing a credit famine, the outcome of wealth consumed.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

Naturally the Australian Industries' Preservation Act has come in for a good deal of criticism on the other side of the world, where it is regarded as an extension of the protectionist principle under another name. The "Financial Times," in the course of some comments upon this measure, remarks:—

Everything, therefore, hinges on the fairness and impartiality of the Comptroller-General and the Judge. Both receive their appointments more or less directly from the Ministry, and, without imputing collusion or corruption, it is easy to realise that men favourable to the spirit of the Act may be appointed to administer it. One thing is certain—it has not been put on the Statute Book for nothing, and somebody is in deadly earnest. A majority of members favourable to the principles of this Act have once more been returned to the Federal Parliament, and may prove determined to enforce it in its integrity. Little need be said about the second part of the title—Repression of Destructive Monopolies, which, as a rule, are quite well able to take care of themselves. It is the private trader whose interests are most seriously threatened, because he is not always so well able to defend himself. This portion of the measure is admittedly framed on the lines of the United States Sherman Anti-Trust Law of 1890, under which the biggest and most destructive monopolies the world has ever known have sprung up and flourished. Certainly, when the soil of Australia is ripe, the penalty of £500 will act as no deterrent, and there is nothing calculated more to hasten the advent than the persecution and destruction of individual traders which appears to be contemplated. Australia truly is a progressive country, and, in one respect at least, is going far ahead of its rivals. They have relied on protective tariffs; Australia means to try prohibition, which is, after all, the more effective and commonsense method of attaining the desired end. But whether it will bring these desired results is another matter.

HOBART GAS COMPANY.

HOBART, Wednesday.

The Hobart Gas Company has declared a dividend of 16s, and the Launceston Gas Company a dividend of 4s per share.

LOCAL WOOL SALES.

At the mid-week sales three catalogues, totalling 8397 bales, were presented. The usual buyers were in attendance, and competition was fairly satisfactory throughout. As before, medium and good wools ruled firm at full rates, but inferior sorts were still irregular, and somewhat difficult to move. Scoured, when in nice condition, found ready disposal at well-maintained values. The highest prices obtained for greasy and scoured were 13½d and 23½d respectively.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The second series of the London wool sales will open on March 12, and the offerings will be limited to 150,000 bales. Succeeding sales will open as follows:—Third series, April 30; fourth, July 9; fifth, September 24; and sixth, November 26.

An epidemic of embezzlements in connection with the shire councils has taken place in Victoria. This is said to have been partly attributable to the low salaries paid to those in responsible positions.

Mr. J. Earle Hermann reports the flotation of the Rowan Export Company, Limited, with a capital of £5000 for the purpose of exporting blood stock, polo and racing ......, etc., to India. The following are provisional directors:—Messrs. A. P. Simpson, M. J. G. Colyer, A.M. Inst., and Brisbane J. M'Dougall, while Mr. John Rowan is the manager.

The Bondi Concessions Syndicate, which is acting in conjunction with Mr. William Anderson in respect of certain of the side shows at Wonderland City, has paid a dividend of 30 per cent. for the months of December and January. The directors of the syndicate are Messrs. W. H. Holt and Geo. Crowley, and the manager Mr. J. M. Baird.

Gold imports into the State last month aggregated the value of £787,929, while exports amounted to £240,524, there thus being a net importation during the period of £547,405.

This State imported gold to the value of £225,000 from Western Australia last month, and £275,000 of sovereigns came over the Victorian border by train.

The "Bankers' Magazine of Australasia" contains a lengthy article upon silver coinage within the Commonwealth.

The Bank of Victoria last half-year increased its profits by 25 per cent., which was acquired at an addition in expenses of under 4 per cent.

Messrs. Raine and Horne will offer at auction at their rooms this morning Llandudno, Old South Head-road, Waverley, the town residence of Sir William M'Millan.

LONDON FINANCIAL CABLES.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

AUSTRALIAN DEBENTURE STOCKS, ETC.

Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company 4 per cent. debenture stocks, ½ higher at 101.

Queensland Investment and Land Mortgage Company 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged at 90.

City of Sydney 4 per cent. debentures (1912-13), unchanged at 101.

Dalgety and Company, Limited, unchanged at 6¼.

Dalgety and Company, Limited, 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged at 102.

Metropolitan Gas Company (Melbourne), 4½ per cent., unchanged at 102.

Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia, Limited, 4½ per cent. debenture stock, unchanged at 61.

Australian and New Zealand Mortgage Company 4½ per cent. debentures, unchanged at 100.

COMMERCIAL.

While business was again brisk yesterday, it was principally of a distributing character, and marked by no predominant feature. Tea buyers operated fairly well, despite two auctions to be held to-day. In groceries attention was mostly concentrated on fish, both tinned and salt. The continued dearth of wax vestas has caused a further hardening in prices. An advance of 5s per ton was noted in Liverpool red rocksalt. The hardware and metal houses reported strong inquiries for netting and fencing wire. Oils were steady. In jute goods trade was stagnant. Branbags were quoted lower. Great activity prevailed in the wheat market, the tone of which was decidedly firm. Flour had fair demand at the recent advanced rates.

PROOF SPIRIT IN MEDICINES.

The Comptroller-General of Customs notifies that with regard to commerce regulation 6 (2) (a), it has been decided to calculate the "10 per cent. of ethyl alcohol" as by volume. Ten per cent. ethyl alcohol by volume is equivalent to 17.52 per cent. of proof spirit by volume.

AUSTRALIAN BREADSTUFFS EXPORTS.

The oversea shipments of wheat and flour from the Commonwealth since the beginning of December total nearly 7,000,000 bushels, against about 7¾ million bushels for the corresponding period of 1905-6, but this leeway, which is due to the late harvest, should be quickly picked up. The following is a summary of the present season's exports:—

From	Wheat. Bushels.	Flour. 200lb scks.	Equivalent in Wheat. Bushels.
N. S. Wales	1,727,076	80,500	2,113,476
Victoria	1,911,657	78,315	2,287,569
South Australia	2,189,409	71,525	2,532,729
Commonwealth	5,828,142	230,340	6,933,774

The New South Wales figures include 43,330 bushels wheat which passed over the border into Victoria during December, as per Customs returns. A corresponding reduction has been made in the Victorian figures.

CONDITIONS IN NEW ZEALAND.

Writing from Christchurch on January 30, Messrs. Kaye and Carter state:—

The crops are now being harvested, and it is daily becoming more evident that the oats especially have suffered from the prolonged drought, whilst the wheat seems to have stood the dry experience very much better. The few samples of oats exhibited show excellent colour, and better filled grains than were looked for; so though quantity will be below average, quality should be satisfactory. Threshing has been somewhat delayed through want of sacks, but the arrival of the steamer Aparima from Calcutta has replenished supplies. Millers are holding off the market, as they recognise that they must buy wheat cheaper than the present ideas of farmers, in order to compete successfully with Australian flour. Tuscan and pearl are quoted at 3s 5d, and Hunter's at 3s 4d. There is practically no bran available for export. Butter is worth 11d to 11½d. The continuous dry weather has seriously affected supplies, and the outputs from factories in the South Island have materially decreased.

FROZEN MEAT EXPORTS.

The exports of frozen meat from Sydney last week, according to the Customs returns, were 53,326 carcases mutton and 965 quarters and pieces beef. In mutton 31,583 carcases were shipped to the United Kingdom and Continent, 21,428 carcases to South Africa, 300 carcases to Honolulu, and 15 carcases to Japan. In beef 811 quarters went to South Africa, and 155 quarters to Port Said. From July 1 to February 2 shipments were:—

	Mutton. Carcases.	Beef. Qrs. & pcs.
U.K. and Continent	656,473	..
South Africa	259,958	4,620
Port Said	10,074	854
Colombo	1,615	90
Mauritius	1,087	..
Gibraltar	2,891	375
Philippines	8,561	249
Hongkong	1,552	102
Japan	280	..
Vladivostock	5,625	1,216
Singapore, Java, etc.	6,742	591
Honolulu	5,621	304
Canada	17,906	..
Totals	978,385	8,500

BREADSTUFFS.

A very firm tone pervaded the wheat market, and although shippers succeeded in purchasing some thousands of bags on the basis of 2s 11½d Darling Harbour, sales of prime grain were also effected at 2s 11½d, with 3s paid occasionally. The London market was advised as unchanged, N.S.W. f.a.q. wheat being worth about 29s 10½d c.f.i. The ships Cockermouth, 1237 tons, and the Samaritan, 1997 tons, have been chartered for Sydney loading to Europe, the freight paid for the former being, it was stated, 24s 6d per ton.

In flour, millers reported trade to be brisk, additional orders from the East being received. Leading metropolitan brands were selling at £7 5s, and country makes at £6 17s 6d to £7 per ton.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 3420 tons wheat and 129 tons flour were manifested to arrive.

Comparison of Prices.—The prices now ruling for wheat and its products compare with those of a year ago as follow:—

	Last Year.	Yesterday.
Wheat, per bushel	3s 2d	2s 10½d
Flour, per ton	£7 10s	£7 2s 6d
Bran, per bushel	10d	9d
Pollard, per bushel	11d	9d

Two years ago new wheat was worth 3s 4½d per bushel, flour £8 5s per ton, bran 8d, and pollard 11d per bushel.

Grain Elevators in Argentina.—A Buenos Ayres advice states that the Government had cancelled the concession granted to Mr. Alexander and Mr. Davis for 38 elevators to be built in the province of Buenos Ayres. The concessionaires failed to float a local company, and did not put up the necessary guarantee. It was stated, however, that the concession was likely to be granted to a powerful group of financiers.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Tea.—Sales included 140 packages Indians at 7½d to 9½d, 110 Ceylons at 8d to 11d, 100 Ceylons up to 10½d, 50 Indians at 6d, 150 Ceylons at 8d to 10½d, and 50 Indians at 6½d per lb. Writing from Calcutta on January 14 Messrs. Davenport and Co. stated that at the last sales, when 54,000 packages were sold, the strong demand remained unabated, with prices closing generally higher, 6d being the c.i.f. quotation for lowest sound black leaf. Exports from May 1 to January 14 totalled 8,808,288lb to Australasia compared with 6,163,778lb for the corresponding period of the previous season. Of this total Sydney took 2,206,584lb, and Melbourne 4,185,821lb.

Ceylon Tea Shipments.—The complete figures of Ceylon tea shipments for 1906, according to Messrs. Henderson and Co., Colombo, compare with those for 1905:—

	1906. Jan.-Dec.	1905. Jan.-Dec.
United Kingdom	106,788,601	113,061,248
Australia	23,509,795	24,817,517
America	12,347,457	12,465,219
Other countries in Europe	2,713,650	2,676,961
Russia	13,275,092	10,861,877
Africa	1,240,981	873,335
China and Singapore	8,177,932	6,458,393
India	1,084,805	2,075,433
Totals	169,324,891	173,254,807

The decrease is nearly four million lb., Australian exports showing a decline of 1,307,722lb. From Calcutta, however, Australian exports are nearly 2½ million lb heavier.

Tea Auctions.—Fraser, Uther, and Co., Ltd., will offer by auction, at noon to-day, at 8 Spring-street, under instructions from Thompson, Fraser, Ramsay Prop., Ltd., 802 packages Ceylon and Indian teas, as advertised. Messrs. F. H. Dyer and Co. will offer at auction this afternoon, at 60 Margaret-street, on account of Messrs. Gerber, Michaut, and Co., and Dalgety and Co. Ltd., 620 packages Ceylon teas, ex Britannia and Dumbea.

Fish.—Fifty half-barrels salt salmon were placed at 5½d; for small lots 5½d was obtained for barrels, and 5½d for half-barrels. Codfish had good demand at 5d. Twenty-five cases Smith's ling changed hands at 5½d. Sardines met with attention at 4s 4½d to 4s 6d for ¼ref. quarters, at 5s 6d for halfs, while ordinary brands sold from 2s 8d up. Bo.. packs of Norwegian smoked sardines brought 4s 6d for quarters. Fifty cases Scroll salmon (tails) were purchased at 8s 9d; to the trade 8s 10½d and 9s was quoted. Twenty-five gross Moir's assorted paste went at 14s.

Groceries.—The price of Liverpool red rock salt was advanced from 35s to 40s per ton. Gosling's whiting ex store sold at 67s 6d. Holbrook's sauce had inquiry, 50 cases reputed half-pints being placed at 5s 9d, and 50 cases pints at 7s 9d. Stocks of Swinborne's gelatine in the 6d packets were very low. The scarcity of wax vestas was unabated, and houses who had been selling at 3s 1½d the previous day advanced their rate to 3s 3d.

Chemicals.—Large sales of bluestone were put through, Macclesfield's, which appeared to be the most favoured, selling at £35 per ton, with American and other brands, including Wallaroo (S. Australia), at £34 to £34 10s. Trade in other lines was quiet.

Brewers' Goods.—A better demand existed for malt, 8s 9d to 9s being paid for English, and 8s 3d to 8s 6d for Victorian. Tasmanian hops were rather dull at 1s 4d. New Kents had more attention at 1s 10d to 1s 11d, and also Californians at 1s 4d to 1s 5d d.p. In isinglass sales were noted of Penang leaf at 4s 3d, Broadleaf at 4s, and Brazil lump 3s 10½d to 4s.

Metals.—Good business was done in second grade wire netting 42 x 1½ x 17 at £37 to £37 5s per mile. B. and P.'s was quoted at £37, and B.B.B. at £37 5s to £37 10s. Many country inquiries came to hand for black wire, prices for which were firm. Twelve tons No. 8 German were sent out at £9. Rabbit traps were again being sought after, and 200 doz. Scotsman brand were sold at 8s 6d. For Griffiths' 10s 6d was quoted in casks (25 dozen), and 6s 6d for Sidebottom's in casks. Gal. c. iron was moving off freely, Orb bringing £19 10s and Redcliffe £19 per ton. Cement had good sale at 10s 6d, but plaster was inactive. Tinplates had no inquiry, and holders were offering at 16s 6d.

Oils.—Quotations for linseed oil, castor oil, and whitelead remained as before. A fair distributing demand was noted. Japanese fish oil was extremely scarce, several parcels changing hand a few times. Fifty cases went at 1s 6d. The London yearly average price for linseed oil during 1906 was £20 18s 9d per ton, against £17 14s 3d in 1905, £16 9s 3d in 1904, and £21 12s in 1903.

Jute.—Branbags were reported weaker, 5s being quoted on spot, with no business resulting. Cornsacks were nominally 6s 5½d. Woolpacks were steady at 2s 6d. Writing from Calcutta on January 12, Messrs. Martin and Co. state:—"Since the turn of the year jute has been unable to maintain its value, either here or in London, and opening at £27 10s the market has gone back to £25 15s. At the close our local market is steadier, and with the disappearance of needy sellers there will likely be a revival. Loose jute still keeps itself distinct from bales, and though there are some distress lots in view just now, the general tone is quite steady. Mills are buying sparingly, but they will want a lot more before the season ends. There has been no trade at all in cornsacks. From secondhand they can be bought at Rs. 39-8-0, mills asking as high as Rs. 41-0-0. Stocks in Calcutta are now very small, and there is no pressure to sell."

The Customs revenue received at Sydney yesterday amounted to £10,441.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 847 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail.

LONDON MARKET CABLES.

WHEAT AFLOAT.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

Shipments of wheat afloat to-day, a week ago, and a year ago, compare:—

	A year ago.	A week ago.	To-day.
	qrs.	qrs.	qrs.
For United Kingdom	2,790,000	2,130,000	2,280,000
For Continent	1,525,000	1,045,000	1,260,000
Total	4,315,000	3,175,000	3,540,000

AMERICAN WHEAT SHIPMENTS.

The wheat and flour shipped from the Atlantic coast of America during the past week aggregated 169,000qrs, against 246,000qrs a week ago, and 160,000qrs during the corresponding week of last year. The Pacific shipment were 31,000qrs, against 15,000qrs a week ago, and 112,000qrs a years ago.

SILVER.

Bar silver is quoted to-day 2s 7 11-16d per ounce standard.

METALS.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

Closing quotations were:—

Copper.—On spot, b £107 7s 6d, s £107 12s 6d, a drop of 2s 6d per ton.

Tin.—On spot, b £193 7s 6d, s £193 17s 6d, a rise of 2s 6d; three months, b £192 10s, s £193, a fall of 2s 6d.

INTERSTATE MARKETS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Wheat was steady to-day at from 2s 10½d to 2s 11d. Flour was steady at £7. Bran and pollard sold up to 10d.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Wheat was steady to-day, and there was a fairly active demand for millers and shippers. Ordinary lots at from 2s 11½d to 2s 11¾d. Nearly 1000 bags were sold at 2s 11¾d, partly ex store. Large shipping parcels were quoted at 3s. Flour was active. New, £7; old, £7 5s. Bran sold up to 9½d; pollard, 9½d. Malting barley was firm, and fair business was done. Good malting sold at 4s 6d; prime Chevalier up to 4s 7d; choice lot realised 4s 7½d at auction. Cape barley was slightly weaker; good sold at 2s 3d. Algerian oats were steady. About 500 bags of prime milling sold at 2s, good feed sold from 1s 10d to 1s 10½d, and good heavy at 1s 11d. Maize was more active. 2000 bags of prime were sold at 3s 5d, and several hundred bags went at 3s 4½d. Good peas sold at 3s 9d. Chaff was quiet at from 45s to 55s. Potatoes were firmer, Gippsland up to £3 5s, occasionally £3 7s 6d; choice lot from Bunyip realised £3 10s, Warrnambool reds, £3 5d; pinkeye 40s to 45s. Onions were steady. Globe 45s to 55s, new brown Spanish 70s. Butter was steady at from 9½d to 11d. 250 packages of Ceylon tea sold up to 9d. Tinned salmon continues in demand from Sydney and New Zealand. Sales were made of about 500 cases. About 250 bales of cornsacks sold at 6s 9d. Branbags realised from 5s 1d to 5s 1½d. Fair business was done in fencing wire and wire netting.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Elder, Smith, and Co., Limited, report in regard to to-day's sales:—Cattle: 540 were yarded. All varieties were represented, including 300 from the north, 180 from the south-east, 90 from the Lakes, and the balance local. There was a moderate attendance, and quiet demand, prices being hardly maintained. Graziers took 60. Prime beef was quoted at 24s 6d. We sold 100 cattle. Sheep: 8000 were penned, providing an ample selection. The sales were dull, and prices firm for best, but others were weaker. Shippers took 550, and graziers 2500. Quotations:Prime merino wethers, 15s to 16s; extra, 18s; prime ewes, to 14s; extra 15s; prime cross wethers, 16s to 19s; prime cross ewes, 15s to 17s. Lambs: 2300 were penned. Values were practically unchanged. Graziers took 1350. We sold 2290.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the Live Stock Market to-day 1880 fat cattle were yarded, comprising 140 from South Australia, 290 from New South Wales, 500 from the north-eastern district, 250 from Gippsland, 600 from South Gippsland, 100 from the western district, and the remainder from the northern district. The market fluctuated slightly throughout, but, taking quality into consideration, prices ruled equal to last week's advanced rates. Prime pens of bullocks sold at from £10 10s to £11 15s; extra ditto, £12 to £13 2s 6d; odd beasts at £15 15s; good ditto, £9 to £10; good ditto (light weights), £7 10s to £8 10s; with steers from £5 15s; prime pens of cows, £7 15s to £9 2s 6d; odd beasts, £10 17s 6d; second and useful ditto, £4 10s to £6 10s; old and inferior, from £3.

In the Metropolitan Meat Market prices for the week ended February 6 were:—Beef: Prime bodies, 22s to 24s per 100lb; medium, 20s to 21s ditto; prime forequarters, 15s to 16s ditto; medium, 14s ditto; prime hindquarters, 28s to 30s ditto; medium, 26s to 27s ditto. Sheep: Prime light weights, 2½d to 2¾d per lb; medium, 2½d ditto; heavy weights, 2½d ditto. Lamb: Prime, 10s to 11s each; medium, 8s to 9s ditto. Veal: Prime large vealers, 2d to 2½d per lb; medium, 1½d to 1¾d ditto; prime small vealers, 2½d to 2½d ditto; medium, 1½d to 2d ditto; small calves, 1½d to 2d ditto.

One hundred and twenty fat calves were penned, which realised improved rates. Quotations:—Prime steers and heifers, £3 10s to £5 12s 6d; prime calves, 45s to 60s; good ditto, 30s to 40s; small vealers, from 15s.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

LAUNCESTON, Wednesday.

The Wakatipu left to-day for Sydney. Her cargo included 78 bags of potatoes, 100 bags of oats, 2451 bales of straw, 350 bales of hay, and 180 sheep.

The Westralia left Hobart for Sydney yesterday with 1830 cases and 387 half-cases of fruit, 390 bags of peas, 602 cases of jam, 4 bales of wool, 1420 cases of pulp, 15 hogsheads of ale, 12 cases of fish, 80 bags of bark, and 5 bales of hops.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

Doings in Sussex-street yesterday were unmarked by any features deserving of special mention, and the turnover, as is usual on Wednesday, was of small dimensions. Business was done entirely in light parcels, there being no speculation whatever. Previous quotations did not suffer much change.

The chief characteristic of the maize market was the exceeding scarcity of really prime grain, for which holders firmly demanded late quotes. Weevilly kinds were in abundance, and dull of sale. Fair quantities of oats were held. Demand was anything but brisk at the prices. The better class of Algerian commanded most attention. Chickwheat remained in good supply, and moved moderately at unchanged rates. Inferior grain, such as sweepings, etc., were too plentiful, and had to be sold at from 2s upwards, according to quality. The barley market was devoid of interest, there being as yet no real value in force. Blue and grey peas ruled as before.

There was not much strength in the imported chaff market, which again displayed a weakening tendency. Supplies were heavy, and more than sufficient for the poor demand. Best Melbourne was placed at from £3 2s 6d to £3 7s 6d, and first quality Adelaide at from £3 10s to £3 15s. More than half a hundred trucks of local were forward for treatment at the Sydney goods sheds. Prime found somewhat dull disposal at from £3 10s to £3 15s, medium at from £2 16s 8d to £3 6s 8d, and rough from £2. Lucerne hay weakened, owing to stocks being above demand. Prime dry, in large bales, was quoted at from £3 to £3 5s, in small bales at £3 10s, brown sweated at from £2 15s to £3, and inferior lots from £2 10s. Seven trucks were submitted at the sale. Prime Mudgee made from £3 5s to £3 10s, and large bales at from £2 5s 4d to £2 15s. Oaten hay and derrick were in fair supply, but had no lively sale.

The potatoes on the market did not display too good quality. Tasmanian redskins were offerings at £4 10s, and whiteskins at £3 15s for the "pick of the basket." A few second-class Hunter River were also available at from £2 to £2 10s. A dozen truckloads arrived by rail for auction, and found sale at prices ranging from £1 10s to £4 10s, according to their quality.

Globe onions were in exceptionally slow request, and quotations were weaker, £3 5s being the top figure.

Bran and pollard continued active, and very firm at 9d.

Current quotations were:—

FEED-GRAIN AND OFFAL MARKET.

Barley.—Nominal.

Maize.—Prime red grain 2s 6d, white 2s 6d, weevily from 2s 3d bus.

Peas.—Blue, 5s; grey, 4s bus.

Chickwheat.—2s 6d to 2s 10d bus.

Oats.—Melbourne: Algerian, 2s 3d to 2s 5d. Tasmanian 2s 9d to 3s bus. Other kinds, nominal.

Bran.—8½d (f.o.b.), 9d otherwise; pollard, 9d (f.o.b.), 9d otherwise.

FORAGE MARKET.

Chaff.—Melbourne: Best oaten £3 2s 6d to £3 7s 6d, best wheaten £3 2s 6d to £3 7s 6d. Adelaide: Best, £3 10s to £3 15s ton.

Oaten Hay.—Prime, £3 10s to £3 15s ton.

Derrick Straw.—Tasmanian, £2 15s ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Best dry green, in large bales £3 to £3 5s, small bales £3 10s, brown sweated £2 15s to £3; inferior from £2 10s ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian: Redskins, £4 10s; darkskins, nominal; whiteskins, £3 15s ton. Local: New, a few second-class Hunter River at from £2 to £2 10s ton.

Onions.—Victorian: Globe, £3 5s ton.

Turnips.—Tasmanian: £2 ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

A quiet morning was passed in the dairy produce markets, and quotations were unchanged. The egg market was as previously ruling. Demand was entirely for new-laid and the superior class of Southern. As before, quotes for these descriptions varied greatly. Northerns remained in their former sluggish state. Bacon was in somewhat short supply. Cheese moved only fair, as also did lard, beeswax, and honey. Nothing startling was learned with regard to the butter market, quotes being as before.

Current quotations were:—

Butter.—Superior, 90s; choice 86s to 88s, seconds from 76s to 80s cwt.

Lard.—Packets and small bladders 5d to 5½d, bulk 4½d to 4¾d, special brands 5½d to 5¾d lb.

Honey.—60lb tins extra choice extracted 3d, choice 2½d, prime 2d, medium 1½d lb.

Beeswax.—Dark 1s 1d to 1s 2d, bright 1s 3d to 1s 4d lb.

Cheese.—Local: Prime loaf 5½d, good 5d, prime large 5¼d, good 5d, inferior from 4d; Kameruka Cheddar, 6d; Bodalla, 6½d; Moruya, 5¾d lb.

Bacon.—Prime factory flitches 7d to 7½d, middles 8d to 8½d, sides 7½d to 7¾d, special brands, sides 8½d, flitches 7½d, middles 9½d. Hams: In cloth, 10d to 10½d, special brands 11d, bagged 10½d to 11d, special brand 11½d lb.

Eggs.—Northern River, 7d to 7½d, odd lots 8d; Southern and railway 9d to 10d for common lots, 11d to 12d for special lots; new-laid suburban 16d, some business at from 14d to 15d; duck eggs, 12d to 14d dozen.

POULTRY.

River.—Hens, old 2s to 2s 3d, choice 2s 6d; young roosters, 2s 9d to 3s, choice 3s 6d; chickens, 1s to 1s 9d; ducks, 1s 9d to 2s; drakes, 4s to 6s; turkeys, hens, 8s to 10s, gobblers 10s to 12s, extra heavy 15s to 23s; geese, young 4s to 5s pair.

Suburban.—Fowls, young roosters, 2s 6d to 4s, choice 4s 6d to 5s, very small kinds from 1s 6d, old hens 2s 6d to 4s, choice 2s 6d; ducks, English, 2s 6d to 3s 6d; Muscovy, 2s 3d to 2s 9d; drakes, Muscovy, 3s to 3s 6d; geese, 3s 9d to 5s; guineafowls, 5s to 6s; pigeons, 1s 3d to 1s 6d pair.

SYDNEY AUCTION SALES.

At the morning's auction sales 88 trucks were offered, chaff comprising 54 of these. Prime cuts realised 3s 6d and 3s 9d, and medium from 2s 10d to 3s 4d, the bulk of the offerings coming under the latter heading. Altogether the commodity was dull of sale, the market being apparently satisfied for the present. Lucerne was also easier at from 3s 3d to 3s 6d for Mudgee, and from 2s 5d to 2s 9d for large bales. Wheat was decidedly brighter, at from 2s 9d to 2s 11d for prime chickfeed. No other feature of the sale calls for comment, potatoes making from 1s 6d to 4s 6d, and melons from 7d to 3s 9d. Consignments were disposed of as follow:—

Chaff.—From Pound Brothers, Wellington, (5219) 3s 7d; M'Dermott, Woodstock, (5850) 3s; Rowston, Cholamon, (2784) 3s 2d; Bradshaw, (6661) 3s 2d; Vincent, (11035) 3s; James Dean, (8932) 3s 1d; Gill, (5942) 2s 6d; Stevenson, (7141) 3s; Graham Brothers, (7819) 2s 4d; Kennedy, Wallendbeen, (2019) 2s 9d; Shaw, Bowen, (11639) 3s; ex Urunquinty, (2694) 2s, (7241) 2s 2d, (10100) 2s 3d; Powell, Wagga, (747) 2s 8d, (12638) 2s 10d; Hoy, Lyndhurst, (11266) 3s; Meldrum, Quandong, (3680) 2s 6d, oaten hay 2s 2d; Dodds, Forbes, (907) 3s 7d; J. Logan, Derain, (10728) 3s 9d; Spackman, Harden, (2461) 2s 11d; M'Nickle, Harefield, (244) 2s 2d; Blackmore, Millthorpe, (2351) 2s 9d; Guildford, Dubbo, (2098) 3s 9d; Carmel, Oolong, (9823) 3s 6d; R. G. Hamblin, Gunnaio, (2526) 3s 3d; P. Kelly, (2151) 3s 4d; Rowston and Boyd, (1601) 3s 8d; Harris, Bathurst, (7255) 3s 6d, (2688) 3s 6d cwt.

Lucerne Hay.—From Measures, Branxton, (5660) 3s 5d; W. S. Reid, Nemingha, (4455) 3s 9d; Caughey, Mudgee, (2130) 3s 3d; Flack, (6420) 3s 6d cwt.

Wheat.—Ex Warren, (4080) 2s 10d, (9100) 2s 9d; Piggin, Balldale, (931) 2s 10d; ex Coonamble, (4143) part 2s 11d bus.

Oats.—From Hinde, Blayney, (3230) 2s 9d bus.

Maize.—Ex Wallangarra, (4566) 2s 6d, (9654) 2s 4d; Jackson, (5809) 2s 5d bus.

Potatoes.—Ex Bowral, (6220) 21 AP 4s 6d, 5 WM p 3s 5d; Nowra, (2156) 17 JL p 3s 6d, 42 CS 3s 2d; ex Kiama, 7 FR 3s 2d, 6 GW over E 3s 6d, 4 P 4s 3d, 13 GS 4s 3d; Shellharbour, 16 FC 3s 6d, 24 HH 3s 3d; Albion Park, 6 JJ 3s 2d; Dapto, 16 .. 5s, 7 B 4s 10d; Gerringong, (7999) 14 J 2s 11d; Windsor, 4 S 1s 6d; ex Mulgrave, (2262) 15 B 3s, 10 HE conj 2s 9d; ex Richmond, (5416) 3 JM 2s 6d; ex Windsor, (1210) 6 G 2s 8d, 5 WIC 2s 6d cwt.

Melons.—Ex Richmond, (5416) Arnold 1s 6d, Higgs 2s 11d; Penrith, (7796) Lance 7d, Purcell 9d, H. Sheens 9s; Kingswood, (517) T. Hollier 3s 4d, Curry 2s 9d doz.

FRUIT MARKETS.

BATHURST-STREET.

All lines of fruit were well stocked at the above mart. Demand was not so keen as has been the case of late, and the turnover was generally regarded as unsatisfactory.

Current quotations were:—

Apples.—Carringtons, choice 9s to 10s, medium 5s to 6s, jam lots 1s 6d to 2s 6d gin-case.

Pineapples.—Common, choice 3s 6d to 4s 6d, small from 2s; Queens, choice 3s 6d to 4s 6d, extra choice 5s.

Cucumbers.—Local: 2s 6d to 3s 6d gin-case.

Bananas.—Fiji: 8s 6d to 9s case, 1s 5d to 4s 6d bunch. Queensland: 6d to 1s 6d bunch, 5s to 6s 6d case.

Apricots.—Choice 4s to 6s; medium, 2s 6d to 3s 6d quarter-case.

Lemons.—Local: Choice 6s to 7s 6d, good 5s to 6s, medium 3s 6d to 4s 6d, others from 2s 6d gin-case. American: 8s half-case, containing from 14 to 16 dozen.

Tomatoes.—Local: Choice 2s to 2s, medium 1s to 1s 6d, others from 6d to 9d half-case.

Peaches.—Albertas, choice 2s 6d to 3s, jam lots 2s half-case; 4s to 5s gin-case. Cooking Shanghais and Newingtons, 3s 6d to 4s, medium 2s 6d to 3s, small from 1s case. Victorian: Early Crawfords, choice 2s to 5s packer, faulty 1s to 1s 6d case.

Watermelons.—Large 4s to 5s, medium 2s to 3s dozen; small, 1s; rock varieties, 3s to 4s gin-case.

Grapes.—Black Muscatels, choice 5s to 6s, good 3s 6d to 4s 6d box; black Hamburgh, choice 2s 6d to 3s, medium 2s, others from 1s 6d; whites, 1s 6d to 2s box.

Nectarines.—Choice 4s to 5s, good 3s to 4s, inferior from 1s 6d box.

Pears.—Williams' Bon Chretiens, local choice, 5s to 6s, medium 3s 6d to 4s case, and Victorian 4s 6d to 5s 6d packer.

Plums.—Blood, 2s 6d to 3s; Satsuma, choice 3s 6d to 5s 6d, extra choice 5s 6d to 4s box, inferior 1s to 1s 6d case; Kelseys, 2s to 3s 6d; Wickson's 2s to 3s 6d.

Passionfruit.—Choice, 2s to 2s 6d, others from 1s box; others from 1s 6d to 4s gin-case.

Oranges.—American: Washington Navels, 16s double-case, containing from 18 to 24 dozen.

BELMORE.

The continued over-stocking of the Belmore Fruit Market was responsible for a further general fall in rates for mid-week business.

Current quotations were:—

Pineapples.—Common, 2s 6d to 4s 6d; Queen, 5s to 6s per case.

Lemons.—Choice, coloured 8s, prime 6s to 7s, rough 4s per gin-case; Messina, 9s to 10s per box, containing from 150 to 180 pieces; Californian, 8s to 9s per case.

Bananas.—Queensland: 5s 6d to 7s; Fiji: 7s to 8s per Sydney case, 11s per double-case; sugar bananas, 6s per case.

Passionfruit.—Choice 3s, medium to good 1s to 2s per half-case, small unsaleable.

Apples.—Local: Carpenters, 4s to 10s; Trivett's, 8s to 10s; cooking varieties, 1s 6d to 5s per gin-case.

Watermelons.—Local: 1s to 4s per dozen.

Rock Melons.—Local: 1s 6d to 2s 6d per gin-case.

Cocoanuts.—Market bare.

Peaches.—Slipstones, choice 2s 6d to 5s; clingstones, 2s to 4s 6d per half-case; small varieties, 2s 6d to 4s per gin-case.

Pears.—Local: W.B.C., 4s to 7s per gin-case; Victorian: 5s to 6s per packer.

Grapes.—Black Hamburgh, 2s to 3s; white sherry, 1s 6d to 2s 6d; black Muscatel, 3s 6d to 4s 6d per box.

Plums.—Local Japanese varieties, 2s to 4s 6d; others, 1s 6d to 2s 6d per half-case.

Oranges.—Californian, navel, 16s to 18s per box of 216 to 250 pieces.

Apricots.—Tasmanian: 2s to 4s per half-bushel-case.

Nectarines.—2s to 6s per half-case.

Tomatoes.—9d to 2s per quarter-case.

VEGETABLES.

A few alterations in a weakening direction marked mid-week business at Belmore.

Quotations:—Cabbages, large 2s to 3s, small from 6d, pumpkins, 3s to 6s; marrows, 1s 6d to 2s; lettuce, 4d to 6d; cucumbers, 6d doz; carrots, 9d to 1s; parsnips, 1s; white turnips, 1s 6d to 1s 9d; leeks, 1s; celery, 1s 6d; mint, 1s; herbs, 6d; beetroot, 4d to 6d; radishes, 6d; parsley, 1s 6d; rhubarb, large 2s, small 6d to 1s; eschalots, 9d to 1s; spinach, 6d doz bunches; watercress, 2s doz bunches; asparagus, 5s to 7s doz bunches; potatoes, Circular Heads, 6s; Early Rose, 4s, sweet, 5s to 5s 6d; onions, 4s to 5s cwt; beans, French, 1s to 1s 9d, broad 2s; peas, Tasmanian, 2s to 3s bus, local 5s; tomatoes, 6d to 1s quarter-case.

STOCK TRUCKINGS.

For the sales of February 11, 33 sheep vans and 67 cattle waggons; February 14, 100 sheep vans and 72 cattle waggons.

STOCK AND STATION PRODUCE SALES.

The Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Co., Ltd., John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Dalgety and Co., Ltd., Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., Ltd., Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd., Schute, Bell, and Co., Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., report:—

Furskins.—Kangaroo, wallaroo, and wallaby ruled firm, while bear were decidedly better. Best rabbitskins were rather irregular, while lower grades were firmer. Opossumskins: 2972 were offered. Prices were rather higher. Quotations:—Grey kangaroo, large 50d to 19d each, medium 18d to 48d, small 6d to 16d; red kangaroo, large 45d to 88d, medium 18d to 41d, small 6d to 15½d; wallaroo, large 36d to 55d, medium 15d to 35d, small 4d to 14d; wallaby, scrub, large 16d to 30d, medium 4d to 15d, small 1d to 3d; wallaby, swamp, large 16d to 20d, medium 4d to 15d, small 1d to 3d; wallaby, rock, 1d to 8d; goats, best 23d to 40d, seconds 3d to 20d; bears, best 14d to 19½d, seconds 3d to 13d; rabbits, first 8d to 10½d per lb, medium 5d to 7½d, small and inferior 3½d to 5½d, milky does, 4½d to 6d. Opossumskins: Super grey, 13s to 14s 6d per doz.; first grey, 10s to 12s 6d; second grey, 7s to 9s 6d; super red, 13s to 13s 6d; first red, 9s to 12s; second red, 6s to 8s 6d; top rumped, 6s to 8s 6d; first rumped, 4s 6d to 5s 9d; second rumped, 1s 6d to 4s 3d; torn and weevily, 1s 6d to 4s; black, to 20s.

Leather.—Sales were held yesterday by Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, L. L., and Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd. Biddings were given with more freedom for the leathers suitable for trade and shipping requirements. Quotations:—Cow tweed, 16d to 17d per lb.; yearling tweed, 17½d to 19d; calf tweed, 19d to 21d; waxed yearling, best 17d to 19d, heavy 15d to 17d; waxed calf, 24d to 28d; kip best light 15d to 15½d, heavy 14d to 14½d; dressed splits, 7d to 11d; sole, extra heavy 13d to 15d, heavy 12d to 12½d, medium 11d to 11½d, light 11d to 11½d, damaged 7d to 10d; harness, brown 12½d to 14d, black 13d to 15d; bridle, 13s to 15s per side; bag, 11s 6d to 13s 9d; basils, saddlers' 24s to 27s doz., shoe 5s to 22s.

SYDNEY WOOL SALES.

Sales were held yesterday at the Sydney Wool Exchange, Bridge-street, when the quantity catalogued totalled 8256 bales, and the sales, including private transactions, amounted to 8023 bales, as under:—

Selling Broker.	Offerings.	Sales. At Auction.	Privately, ex Catalogue.	Privately, Uncatalogued.	Total Sales.
Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd.	2,954	2,635	263	77	2,975
Hill, Clark, and Co.	2,500	2,336	113	—	2,449
Co-operative Wool and Produce Co., Ltd.	2,802	2,438	161	—	2,599
Totals	8,256	7,409	537	77	8,023

For good wools the market was very firm at late rates, while skirty parcels still showed irregularity. Scoureds moved off freely at full late rates.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd., submitted a catalogue embracing a good selection for this period of the season, including a few very good and representative lines. In scoureds there was a good selection of station lines and locally treated parcels. In the greasy section the highest figure was 12½d, paid for 26 1st com w e of JO over H (on side) (Delegate), a well grown, free wool, in light condition. The same price was also secured for 19 h w e of Wheel (Cryon), 6 1st e making 11½d. This was a wool of fine quality, light, and well skirted. Among the principal other clearances in this section were the following:—JD over Bushey Park (Dubbo), 14 h e at 12½d, well grown, light; JR over H (on side) (Cootamundra), 21 1st com h w e at 12d, 7 1st clo h w e at 10½d, 10 necks at 10½d, 5 1st pcs at 10½d, light condition, heavily skirted; F (on side) over H (Braidwood), 10 at 11d, light condition, rather irregular in quality; HN over Woodville (Darby's Falls), 10 w e at 10½d, light condition, skirty; eyebrow over JL over New England, 16 h w e at 11½d, light condition, but skirty; TN over Elah (Warkton), 24 h w e at 10½d, good quality, fairly generous condition, few seeds; CP over BB (Coolac), 22 h e at 11½d, well grown, light; MT over Junee, 27 h at 11d, 11 pcs at 9½d, well skirted, dry; HS (Eugowra), 15 h e at 11d, fairly light in condition, but rather skirty; PM over C (Coolac), 17 e at 11½d, 9 h e at 11d, light condition, well bred; HS over C (Narrandera), 16 A h e at 10½d, 6 AA h e at 9½d, 4 A pcs at 9½d, well grown, sound staple, a little dusty; WRS (Wellington), 15 w at 10d, 6 e at 9½d, dry, a little skirty, few seeds; TG over Alma (Dalgety), 22 at 9½d, well grown, heavy condition, skirty; AJS (Wellington), 15 w at 10½d, 8 e at 10d, light condition, carefully skirted; JR over B (Tarago), 10 w e at 11½d, soft, dry, fine, light condition; MR over Coota, 18 h e at 9½d, 6 1st pcs at 7d, reddish tinged, rather dusty and burry; GH over Coolac, 21 h at 11d, 4 2nd h at 10d, well grown, fairly light condition; — over G over Star Hill (Cootamundra) 23 h w at 11d, nice quality, well skirted; CLB (Gunning), 4 xbd at 9½d, 60 w e at 11½d, 4 B e at 9½d, 14 1st pcs at 10d, soft, well grown, free, showing good breeding; Ingalba over New England (Walcha), 13 sup com at 12d, 8 1st com at 10½d, well grown, light, free; U over — in cir (Trangie), 22 com w e at 9d, 31 clo w e at 8½d, 13 w e at 7½d, 16 pcs at 7½d, well grown, good quality, dusty; Corrowong (Delegate), 76 1st com h w e at 11½d, 149 1st com e at 11½d, 39 2nd com h w e at 10½d, 56 bkn at 9½d, very fine quality, carefully skirted, slightly generous in condition; Wallengrriva over WAHR (Tarana), 58 1st com at 11d, 12 1st clo at 9½d, 12 1st pcs at 7½d, well grown, soft handle, carefully prepared; DTC over Wynwood (Cobbedah), 17 e at 10d, 11 1st pcs at 9d, dry condition but burry; TW over Woolway (Cooma), 7 h at 10d, 30 w h at 9½d, well grown, generous condition. Scoured: Collymongle over Claw (Bulyeroi), 5 A com h at 22d, 27 A clo at 21½d, 7 1st skin at 14½d, 14 bels e at 15½d, 53 std pcs at 15½d, 29 locks at 13½d, 16 lks at 12d, very fine quality, carefully classed, well scoured; Lorenza (Hay), 14 1st com at 20d, 5 com at 19½d, well scoured, carefully prepared; MB in dia over Nepean, 16 pcs at 13½d, very hard scoured, and well classed; Allen over North Cuerindi over Manilla, 4 xbd pcs at 15d, 12 xbd bel at 14½d, 5 xbd pcs at 14d, 10 std pcs and lks at 10½d, well scoured and prepared by Wright and Bruce, of Botany.

Hill, Clark, and Co. presented a good selection of New England wools, though the offerings generally were rather heavy in grease. Most of the lots were of useful character, without being superior lines. A very good run of scoured fleece was included, free and bright, and also some lines of faulty pieces. In the grease the highest price was 13d, paid for 8 1st com of WIT over W over Gunning, a fine weft wool, soft handling, and of nice quality. Other sales of note were:—WS over Macquarie View (Lower Mookerawa), 15 w e at 10d, free but skirty; PH over 09 (Breadalbane), 21 at 10½d, fine quality, rather fatty; SW over B? (Quirindi), 14 h w e at 9½d, 6 h at 9½d, a big warp wool, very burry; Ostini Bros. over Elabah (Mullion Creek), 43 h w e at 11½d, 4 w e at 9½d, well grown, free, nice style, but rather heavy; TC in cir. over Ben Lomond over New Eng., 18 h w e at 11½d, good quality, well grown; WG over GI over New England (Glen Innes), 14 w e at 11½d, 6 h at 12½d, good style and quality, lightly skirted; ET in cir. over Loch Lomond over New England (Ben Lomond), 23 h w e at 12½d, nice quality, fatty; HP over New England over Niangla, 5 h at 12d, 11 w e at 11½d, big staple, well grown; JI over Glencoe over NE, 15 com w e at 10½d, 11 clo at 10½d, well grown, but carrying condition; FMI over Maroman over New England (Glencoe), 59 w e at 10½d, nice quality, slightly irregular in condition; Wallaroo over New England (Deepwater), 7 A com e at 11½d, 13 A com at 11½d, 6 h w e at 11d, 4 2nd h at 11½d, good quality, well grown, fatty; TB over G (Gundaroo), 12 merino at 10½d, 13 cbk at 11½d, 8 xbd at 10d, fine, free, bright; EEW over Timor (Blandford), 29 h w e at 11½d, 4 w e at 11½d, well grown, free, bright, heavy; JS over F (Millie), 9 A h e at 10½d, 16 A e at 10d, 5 B h e at 9½d, 6 h e at 9½d, well grown, good staple, burry; Delateroy (Wagga), 6 1st com w e at 11½d, 4 clo w e at 11d, 20 h w e at 10½d, strong, big staple; DC over Moredun over New England, 13 1st h at 12d, bright, fine; four crosses over Moorabinda (Crookwell), 12 a at 11½d, bright, light, fine; EC over Morven Vale (Walgett), 15 1st com e at 10½d, 7 2nd com e at 10d, wasty, burry; TF over C (Carcoar), 36 xbd and cbk at 11½d, well grown, good style, fair condition; IS (Michelago), 57 h w e at 11d, free, well grown, but carrying condition; JB over H (Goulburn), 63 e at 10½, 11 w at 9½d, fine quality; FP over Mudgee, 17 1st h at 11½d, 35 2nd h at 11½d, fine, rather short, free; B over Colong (Camden), 18 e at 11d, 9 h at 9½d, 12 2nd e at 10½d, well grown, but carrying condition; FP over Mudgee, 22 at 10½d, fine, fair condition; Wamrawar over TBB (Quambone), 10 AA com h w e at 8½d, 7 AA com w at 8½d, 20 A com at 8d, wasty condition, heavy. Scoured: Bruce over Dumiendi (Mogil Mogil), 4 A com w at 25½d, 19 1st com e at 22½d, 5 clo e at 22½d, 7 1st com w at 21d, 18 bkn at 19½d, 4 pcs at 19d, 5 std pcs at 15½d, bright, good colour and get up; R (rev) H conj (Warren), 23 com at 21½d, 4 com at 20½d, 4 e at 19½d, big stapled, a little faulty, good colour; Dandaloo, 4 rams at 13½d, 16 3rd pcs at 13½d, 39 2nd pcs at 13½d, 14 2nd pcs at 12½d, 18 bels at 12d, rather dull in appearance.

The Co-operative Wool and Produce Company, Limited, offered at auction 2300 bales, comprising an excellent selection of merino wools of average to good class, mostly from southern districts, fine in quality, fairly free from fault, but rather yolky in condition. Competition from all sections of the trade continues keen, especially on Yorkshire account, home buyers paying particular attention to fine-haired wools of good length, which are not sufficiently light in condition for American orders. For Japan fair orders are being executed for greasy wools, an extension of their customary requirements which bids fair to add materially to the strength of the local market in increasing the demand of woollen goods for the East. Values for all descriptions are well maintained, average to good clips being particularly firm; less attention, however, is paid to the most inferior or wasty parcels, with some incidental irregularity, but on the whole the market presents a most satisfactory aspect. Greasy merino sold up to 13½d for fleece, and 12½d for pieces; greasy crossbred to 12d, scoured merino to 22½d. The leading sales were as follow:—MA over Talmo (Bookham), 8 h 13½d, 14 e 13d, 14 w 12½d, 22 1st pcs 12½d, 14 2nd pcs 10½d, 6 bellies 9½d; JST over Walcha, 31 h w e 12½d, 4 pcs 9½d; GH over Narrawa, 11 e h w 12½d; RCH over N (Narrawa), 31 h w e 12½d, 12 e 12d; RS in ob over Eucharena, 38 A e 12½d, 14 e 11½d, 14 pcs 8½d; M in cir over Urila (Queanbeyan), 37 A h w e 12½d, 9 B w h e 11½d, 5 2nd pcs 7½d; JRL over Aston (Bombala), 12 1st com A 12½d, 27 1st com 12d, 4 1st com A e 11½d, 30 1st com e 11½d, 29 2nd com 10½d, 4 2nd com w 10½d, 18 2nd pcs 8½d, 10 bellies, 7½d; LH over Mudgee, 22 1st f 12½d, OIC over Surtville (Moree), 18 A w 12d, 8 A abd 11½d, 34 A e 5 A xbd 11½d, 17 AA e 10d, 10 A pcs 9½d, 5 AAA pcs 9d, 7 necks 8½d, 23 A lambs 9½d, 10 AA lambs 7d; WD over T Flat (Frogmore), 18 f 12d; HH over Green over Hills (Adelong), 17 f 12d; HP over Horse Park (Queanbeyan), 4 xbd 12d, 7 1st pcs 9½d, 5 bellies 8d; M in dia over Brookfield (Cooma), 28 e 12d, 10 B e 10½d, 6 pcs 8½d; JHB over Koorong (Bombala), 33 1st com 12d, 20 2nd com 11½d, 12 2nd pcs 9½d; GG over Mangrove (Wheeo), 16 h w 11½d; JC in sq over Inglewood (Bombala), 28 A e w 11½d, 10 A w 11½d, 8 ff, 9 B f 10d, 5 pcs, 5 bellies 7½d; JNS over Glencoe (Coolah), 11 A h 11½d, 7 1st pcs 9d, 4 1st lambs 10½d; BS over 2 over Roslyn (Lyndhurst), 49 w e 11½d, 15 h 11½d, 9 1st pcs 10½d, 7 bels 7½d; Dairy over Park (Lyndhurst), 5 xbd 11½d, 27 h w e 11½d, 4 1st pcs 8½d; MM over Willow Vale (Lyndhurst), 5 xbd 11½d, 23 h w e 11d, 5 1st pcs 8½d; FD (Woodstock), 11 f 11½d; TB over B (Queanbeyan), 19 A h w e 11½d, 14 e h w 11d; ST over Sandy Creek over NE (Inverell), 24 h e w 11½d, 5 pcs 8½d; HB over Red Hill (Queanbeyan), 7 e h w 11½d; NRMP over Rockley (Bathurst), 13 com 11d, 13 clo 10½d, 6 A pcs h w 9½d, 6 pcs e h 7d, 12 xbd 11½d; X in cir over Oakmount (George's Plains), 27 w e 11½d; WB over Bal (Captain's Flat), 21 h w e 11d; WW over Daytonia over Delungra (New England), 6 w h e 10½d; crescent over S over Waterholes (Michelago), 15 f 10½d; Cookanalla (Braidwood), 11 h e 10½d; WR over Frogmore, 17 h e w 10½d; Wongabindi (New England), 45 1st com e 10½d, 26 1st com w h 10½d, 19 2nd com 9d, 6 1st pcs 8½d, 5 2nd pcs 7d, 8 1st lambs 8½d, 6 2nd lambs 6½d; TD over D (Condobolin), 10 1st e, 5 h 10½d, 6 1st pcs 9d; OK (Frogmore), 9 f 10½d; WR and Sn over Somerton (Bathurst), 4 1st lambs 10d, 6 A lambs 7d; Meadows over HRW (Cobar), 30 1st com e 10d, 19 1st com h 9½d, 24 1st com w 9½d, 15 2nd com h 9½d, 23 1st pcs 9½d, 22 2nd com 8½d, 40 2nd pcs 8d, 22 bels 6½d, 16 1st lambs 8½d, 4 2nd lambs 6½d; N in cir (Delegate), 22 f 10d; WH over Kienbri (Baradine), 19 w e 9½d; WHP over Colinton, 11 f 9½d; AGH over C (Booligal), 6 1st e 9½d, 4 bro e, 5 1st lambs 9d; CHD over G (Mundooran), 9 A f 9½d, 7 1st pcs 6½d; XXX over Frankford (Queanbeyan), 12 xbd 8½d; P in dia (Bredbo), 8 pcs 6½d. Scoured: WM over Wychuca (Bourke), 19 f 22½d; MP over L (Hillston), 8 e 21½d, 6 h 21½d; TSL over Bellatherie (Hillston), 7 1st e h 21d; Tareelari (Moree), 4 AA com 18½d, 8 dead 10½d.

TO-DAY'S WOOL SALES.

At this afternoon's wool auctions, to commence in the Sydney Wool Exchange at 3 o'clock prompt, Dalgety and Co., Ltd., will offer a catalogue of 5037 bales, in which the following consignments are included, viz.:—

Greasies.—AS over N (Nundle), 27 bales; Eye (Carcoar), 135; EER over Mudgee (Gulgong), 22; ArB over Cassilis (Cassilis), 247; JL in triangle over Glengarry (Inverell), 91; BBR over Emmet Downs (Isisford, Q.), 383; AFG over T (Forbes), 232; B in circle over Cambalong (Bombala), 63; Guntawang (Gulgong), 43; GB over New England (Tingha), 38; JL over Rylstone (Rylstone), 44; AA&CO. in dia (Brewarrina), 71; H over Wee Elwah (Hillston), 42; RB over G over New England (Guyra), 30; WHE over Rosevale (Narrandera), 22; LJM over Cardross (Goulburn), 26; WJB over Birtley (Springsure), 29; LJM (Goulburn), 26; MRA (Girilambone), 29; H&CO. over Welbondongah (Moree), 57; Bull Bros. over Big River (Bingara), 49; Callubri (Dandaloo), 54; Gumin (Gular), 192; WW over Colly Creek (Willow Creek), 74; LUE over Mudgee (Mudgee), 121; SRM over OC (O'Connell), 23; L in dia (Molong), 49; Tambua over WR (Cobar), 48; A. McK (Wagga), 30; R over CS over Dundee (Dundee), 32; IW over T in circle (Carroll), 268; Burslem over Q (Tangorin, Q.), 192; JRG (Stockinbingal), 29; (over PBF over Trefusis (Kunopia), 91; McG&T over Warraweena over MD (Brewarrina), 39; McG&T over Warraweena (Bourke), 23; McG&T over T (Bourke), 59; McG&T (Bourke), 265; JB in block over Lodge (Cooma), 60; JB in block over Hungundra (Cooma), 26; McL over Inverell (Inverell), 27; BY in dia (Bombala), 60; ADW over Mourabie (Walgett), 29; Wandobah (Curlewis), 28.

Scoureds.—AA&CO. in dia (Brewarrina), 109 bales; Gundabooka (Bourke), 47; McG&T over Warraweena over MD (Brewarrina), 35; McG&T ove Waaweena (Bourke), 42; AFG over T (Forbes), 34; Bar Through Circle (Brewarrina), 29.—Advt.

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MOUNTAIN RESERVES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Your correspondent in this day's issue, Mr. Thomas Whitley, Blackheath, one of the ever-vigilant protectors of the Mountain reserves, is nothing if not mathematically correct—and in his effort to set me right as to the encroachment on South Park reserve by the Railway Commissioners, purposely avoids demonstrating to your readers the available portion of the park suitable for recreation. Now, Sir, I challenge Mr. Whitley to explain what recreation or amusement could be had for the youth in this park since the Commissioners built their water reserve on it. They have taken the best portion, the levelest part, for their uses.

Your correspondent refers to the public interest, and his co-trustees' willingness and cordiality in handing over the land vested in them. Are there not thousands of acres on these hills that the Commissioners could have had without appropriating the park on which so much public and privately-subscribed money had been expended? Have they refunded this money to the trustees, I would like to know?

I further assert that the action of the trustees in handing over property which was vested in them for the benefit of the public recreation was a breach of trust, and should not have been permitted without calling a public meeting as to how the property vested in them for the purpose named was to be disposed of. The minutes of that meeting of trustees, when and where held, would, I feel certain, interest the residents of Blackheath.

Your correspondent flatters himself no doubt that he has disposed of my objections, but I leave the public to judge as to what use they can now devote their park to.

The public are now to be confined to "paths" on the Mountains (vide Mr. Whitley's letter)—"Oh, heavens, with what pride I used to walk those hills, and look up to my God and think the place was free."—William Tell, to his native mountains. Your correspondent has avoided any reference to the most important portions of my communication, viz., Govett's Leap and Wall's Cave; but I rest content, as I have awakened some of the "watchdogs on the hills," who, I am pleased to see, by a notification in your issue of the 5th, called a public meeting with reference to these matters, and are in the near future to deputationise the powers that be.

I am, etc.,

Feb. 6. KOSCIUSKO.

THE POSITION OF MAYORS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—With regard to the point raised by your correspondent "Lex" in your issue of to-day regarding the election of Mayors under the new Local Government Act, I think the intention of the Legislature is evident enough. Sub-section 5 (a) of section 4 provides that "the Mayor and aldermen of an existing municipality shall remain in office for the period hereinafter provided." Now, the question is what is the period hereinafter provided? Section 30 reads, "The aldermen in office in any existing municipality shall . . . retire from office on the last Friday in January, 1908." Note the wording of this section as compared with sub-section 5, quoted above. In one, it is "the Mayor and aldermen"; in the latter simply "the aldermen." If it were intended that the Mayor also should remain in office until January 31, 1908, would it not have said so, instead of which sub-section 4 of section 35 proceeds to clear up the matter by stating explicitly, "on the last day of February in each year" (after the passing of the Act) "every president or Mayor then in office shall retire." Section 30 decides the period during which the aldermen are to remain in office; sub-section 4 of section 35 deals in like manner with the position of Mayor.

The tenure of office of present aldermen is extended under the new Act until January 31, 1908, existing Mayors are confirmed in office merely from the coming into operation of the new Act until the last day of February of this year, when they retire as provided by sub-section 4 of section 35.

It seems perfectly clear, then, that all Mayors must retire from office on the last day of February of this and every subsequent year after the Act coming into operation.

I am, etc.,

February 2. C. R.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The letters of "Lex" in your issue of the 2nd inst, and those of "Quiz" and George Simpson referred to therein, raise important questions with reference to the election of Mayors for 1907-'08, under the Local Government Act, 1906.

Although "Lex" is correct in stating that the only section of the Act dealing directly with anyone remaining in office is section 30, which provides that the aldermen in office at the commencement of the Act should remain in office until the last day of January, 1908; yet, sub-section 4, of section 35, provides that "on the last day of February in each year every president or Mayor then in office shall retire." It could therefore be argued, under sub-section 5, of section 4, that the period thereinafter provided with reference to Mayors is the last day of February, 1907, and with regard to aldermen the last Friday in January, 1908. The election of a Mayor for this year in any municipality under sub-section 5 of section 35, on any day between February 1 and 15 would conflict with sub-section 3 of section 35, which states that "within 14 days after the constitution of a council a president or Mayor shall be elected by the council from its members in the manner prescribed," and as the present councils were constituted on January 1, 1907, the Mayors should, by this sub-section, have been appointed by January 15, 1907, which is absurd, because, if existing Mayors do not remain in office under section 4, sub-section 5, and section 30 until the last day of January, 1908, they must, at the earliest, be Mayors, under sub-section 4 of section 35, until the last day of February, 1907.

The ordinances published under the Act with reference to elections of president and Mayor—namely, 78, 79, and 80—carry us no further, and it is therefore, in the face of conflicting sections of the Act referred to, extremely doubtful what status a Mayor elected under sub-section 5 of section 35 would have for the years 1907-8, as his election could not possibly also comply with subsection 3 of section 35.

The question is of great importance at the present time, as the elections of Mayors are pending, and the department concerned should not shirk the matter, which, in its present unsatisfactory position, may involve a decision of the Supreme Court at an early date.

I am, etc.,

Feb. 4. AN ALDERMAN.

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Every farmer in the State should get a copy of this week's issue of "The Sydney Mail." There are some capital illustrations of the prize farms, accompanied by descriptive articles.—Advt.

POLITICS AND THE MAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—We must all agree with many points in your article to-day on this subject; but when the writer says: "We have learned to discredit the great man theory of history," and "we know that no man is much other or larger than the age which makes him,"—echo answers, "Since when?" and "why?"

When have we learned that history is not mainly the history of great men? And why do we know that men are not much other or larger than the age which makes them?

Were not Homer, Plato, Aristotle, and Socrates other and large than the age which made them?

Were not Julius Caesar, Epictetus, and Marcus Aurelius, also Christ, Buddha, and Confucius, Dante, Milton, and Shakespeare, Bacon and Descartes, Copernicus and Newton, Knox, Calvin and Luther, Moliere and Goethe, Wordsworth and Coleridge, Pitt, Wellington, Nelson, and Napoleon, and many others, other and larger than the age which made them? Does not all history centre round the lives of these and such as these? With all submission to a better opinion, it does, and to deny it is to deny the divine order of things. It may be in accordance with the discoveries of modern science to do so, but then modern science is not infallible. Some even dare to think of it as a mere groping in the dark, and a foolish denial and debasement of the higher side of life, a putting of little things under a microscope and declaring that they are big ones, and a seizing of sticks by their wrong ends.

However that may be, no reader of history, not too enamoured of his own importance, no student of life at large as well as life in little, should deny the overmastering influence of great men in history, and no student of politics in Australia but deplores her present absolute lack of great men, and looks for some great mind to bring better things to pass than we see around us. Surely, it is the present absolute dearth of great men in Australia which is responsible for our peddling politics, our small views, and our cramped energies, and for the want of clear foresight and forceful activity which dogs all our blundering both in State and Federal politics.

Feb. 2. I am, etc., STUDENT.

SURF-BATHING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Will you permit me to thank the Australian girl ("Daily Dipper") for her excellent letter in to-day's issue. She has put the whole case in a nutshell, and I think her argument in favour of decency is unanswerable. We are not South Sea Islanders, and we are quite content with the common standards of propriety that prevail amongst civilised nations.

This morning I had the great pleasure of a dip at Manly, but I was astounded at the primitive accommodation provided for undressing, etc. The good old-fashioned bathing-van would be a great improvement on the present arrangement. But I should like to ask, Mr. Editor, if the authorities are aware that the rude open dressing sheds for men at Manly are overlooked by the people on the neighbouring hill-path. Standing there today I saw quite a number of male humans "on the level of dogs," and just at that time several ladies and young girls were also on the hill. It is more important that the children should not be shocked than that a man should have a sun-bath. As for the bathers—I believe in Continental bathing with Continental costume, and many of the "dresses" I saw this morning would not be permitted at any decent place either on the Continent or in the old country. If certain of the women only knew how positively ugly they look in their tight-fitting garb we should soon have a change. We want some healthy regulations, and any indecent exposure on any part of the beach should be heavily penalised. The present state of things is exceedingly unsatisfactory, and an alteration should be made at once.

I am, etc.,

Feb. 1. A MERE MAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—May I be permitted a little space in your columns re bathing in public places. There have been letters in your recent issues regarding the way daily dippers should be garbed. It is, no doubt, rather comical to see the various kinds of covering worn by surf bathers. People who go to watch or take part in surf-bathing do not need to be told of the indecency caused (in lots of cases) by the scantiness of some of the costumes worn. I think that the various councils should pass bylaws making people punishable who do not wear the proper full bathing costume, and thus settle the disputes which have arisen about the way bathers should be garbed. I do not think anybody would take exception to a proper bathing costume, and it would not be a hindrance to any lover of water.

I am, etc.,

DECENCY.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

HOUSES AND LAND.

RAINE and HORNE.—At their Rooms, at 11.30, City, Suburban, and Country Properties.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

J. R. LAWSON and LITTLE.—At Inverary, corner Parramatta and Concord roads, Strathfield, Concord, at 11, Furniture, Glass, China, Pianoforte, Carpets, Bookcase, etc.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At 133 Regent-street, Redfern, at 11, Groceries, Fixtures, Counters, Scales, Fittings, Plant, etc.

H. and A. LAWSON.—At 88 Hunter-street, at 2.30, Furniture, Plant, Cutlery, Crockery, Counter, Window Fittings, Gas Stove, etc.

BARNARD and CO.—At 140 Castlereagh-street, at 11, Furniture, Cutlery, E.P. Ware, China, Linoleums, Fixtures, Fittings, etc.

H. OXENHAM.—At the Rooms, at 245 and 247 Pitt-street, at 12, Furniture, Cutler Desk, Billiard Table, Pianos, etc.; at 1.30, Motor Car.

FRASER, UTHER, and CO.—At the City Mart, at 12, Teas.

V. R. KELSON.—At the Central Salerooms, at 11 and 2.30, Furniture, Pianos, Linoleums, Carpets, Glassware, E.P. Ware, etc.

A. G. JENKINS.—At his Rooms, at 11, Wearing Apparel.

J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Gold and Silver Watches, Jewellery, etc.

MITCHELL and CRANSTON.—At 39 Oatley-road, Paddington, at 11, Piano, Linoleums, Mangles, Sewing Machine, Furniture, Fernery, etc.

H. LEVY.—At 351 Cleveland-street, at 2, Clothing, Sewing Machines, Furniture, etc.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At 170 George-street West, at 3, Linoleum, Furniture, etc.

D. and W. BAINES.—At 10 Elger-street, Glebe, at 2.30, Furniture, etc.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 10.30, 11, and 11.30, Horses, Vehicles, etc.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Saleyards, at 11, Cows, Calves, etc.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

At the Wool Exchange, at 10, Hair, Horns, etc.; at 2.30, Tallow.

At the Sydney Wool Exchange, at 3, Wool.

MISCELLANEOUS.

J. COWAN.—At the Wunderlich Patent Ceiling and Roofing Co., Cleveland-street, at 11, Building Materials, Tiles, Chimney Pots, etc.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANNANDALE.

EXTRAORDINARY VACANCIES.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Election of ALDERMEN will be held on SATURDAY, the 23rd day of FEBRUARY, 1907, to fill the Extraordinary Vacancies caused by the Resignations of ALLEN ARTHUR TAYLOR, Esq., and JOSEPH FREDERICK BROAD, Esq.

Nominations must be in writing (each accompanied with the consent of the person nominated, attested by at least two witnesses), and delivered to me before 5 o'clock p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 13th FEBRUARY, 1907.

I shall be in attendance at the Council-chambers, Annandale, on that day from 2 o'clock till 5 o'clock in the afternoon, to receive such nominations and consents.

Nominations will take place at the said Council-chambers, Annandale, on THURSDAY, the 14th FEBRUARY, 1907, at 12 o'clock noon.

G. RIDGE, Returning Officer.

Council-chambers, Annandale, 5th February, 1907.

WYCOMBE HEIGHTS ESTATE, MOSMAN, fronting Spit, Wycombe, and Fairfax roads. NEXT SAT. RAINE and HORNE.

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MINING INTELLIGENCE.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Scrip-holders in the majority of cases—and this applies to both copper and silver stocks—had no reason to feel reassured by the tone of the market yesterday. There was a decidedly weak feeling abroad, and it manifested itself in the acceptance of reduced rates for several stocks that have bulked largely in the eyes of investors for some time past.

With such a feeling abroad, most buyers did not care to operate in a lowering market, preferring to wait until they judged prices had reached bedrock; hence the amount of business transacted was on a limited scale. The difficulty, however, is to know when the market has touched bottom, especially in the case of a market that jigs up and down in a most perplexing manner, and apparently without any rhyme or reason, certainly, very often without any reasons coming from the mines.

Judging from the remarks made by some investors, they have been figuring out the prices of some Broken Hill stocks, in order to see how much the companies would have to pay in dividends before an investor would get back his invested capital. Such a cold-blooded, yet businesslike, method of looking at the matter is not calculated to give confidence to some investors, especially when it is borne in mind that there is always the risk of a fall in metal values, or a depreciation in the quality and size of ore bodies.

For once in a while silver stocks cut out the running yesterday morning so far as the amount of business done was concerned. British Broken Hills (old) weakened to 40s 6d, whilst Broken Hill Block 14 (ord.) tumbled from 34s 3d to 32s 6d, with the preference shares decidedly weak at 30s 6d. The mill returns of the Broken Hill Junction North do not inspire some holders with confidence, as the scrip sold at 35s cash, and 35s 6d at one month.

The only Barrier stock that sold firmly was B.H. Block 10. Broken Hill Souths were quoted wide; whilst there were sellers and no buyers of B.H. South Blocks at either the forenoon or noon "calls." A transaction in C.S.A. Mines at 29s 6d shows that the stock is being watched, in view of possible mine developments at an early date.

Copper stocks had a poor run. O.Ks. managed to hold firm, but Queen Bee still show weakness. Shares in the Bogan River Copper are claiming attention, whilst full rates have to be paid to secure scrip in the parent mine of the Budgery group. Queensland copper ventures, with the exception of O.K., were thrust into the background.

Tin shares were exceedingly quiet, whilst business in gold mines was confined to small transactions in Columbia Extended, Harden West (paid), Mount David, and Sunlight.

During the afternoon the market was extremely dull, and very little business was done. In copper shares, Wallaroo and Moonta sold at 91s. Queensland mines were seldom mentioned. The Budgery group was represented by easier sales in the paid up scrip of the parent mine. Budgery Reward South (contg) changed hands at 35s. There was a buyer of one share in Budgery South, paid, at £10 5s, with sellers at £11. Sales of the contributing scrip were made at £7 10s, with buyers at that price at the close. Queen Bee steadied at 35s 3d.

Silver stocks commanded very little attention, the only sales booked being in B.H. Souths, paid, at £8 5s, a drop of 2s, and B.H. Junction at 9s and 9s 1½d, a fractional decrease. Both tin and gold shares participated in the general dulness.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyers. £ s d	Sellers. £ s d
COPPER.		
Bogan River	0 6 3	0 7 0
Ditto, contributing	0 4 9	0 5 0
Budgery North	0 3 0	0 3 4
Ditto, contributing	—	0 2 6
Chillagoe	0 10 0	0 11 0
Girilambone Mining	0 2 4½	0 2 8
Hampden Cloncurry	1 8 0	1 10 0
Mount Elliott	—	4 10 0
Mount Molloy	1 15 0	1 17 0
Mungana (Chillagoe)	0 11 0	—
North Nymagee	—	0 2 3
O.K.	0 13 6	0 13 7½
Queen Bee	1 15 0	1 16 6
Wallaroo and Moonta	4 10 0	4 11 0
Queen Bee South, contributing	0 0 10	0 1 0
TIN.		
Dalziell's Tin Mines	0 11 0	0 11 6
Gilmore	0 5 1	0 5 2
Smith's Creek Proprietary	0 7 9	—
Stannary Hills	0 5 6	0 5 10
Vulcan	0 9 0	0 9 3
SILVER.		
New South Wales, etc.		
British Broken Hill	2 0 0	2 2 0
Broken Hill Proprietary	4 16 0	5 0 0
Ditto, Block 10	5 2 6	5 7 0
Ditto, Block 14	1 14 3½	1 14 3
Ditto, preference	—	1 13 0
B.H. Junction	0 8 9	0 9 0
B.H. Junction North	1 15 0	1 15 3
B.H. South	8 4 6	8 8 0
B.H. South, contributing	7 15 0	7 17 6
B.H. South Blocks	—	2 9 0
C.S.A., paid	1 9 0	1 10 0
Overflow	0 3 5	—
Sulphide Corporation (ordinary)	1 0 0	—
GOLD.		
New South Wales, etc.		
Baker's Creek	0 4 0	—
Mount David	0 0 8½	0 0 11
Mya's and Peak Hill, paid	0 2 0	0 2 3
New Hillgrove Proprietary	0 8 6	0 9 6
Occidental	0 8 0	—
Sunlight	0 1 6	0 1 7
Woodlark Island	—	0 0 6
Harden West, paid	0 3 7	0 4 0
Ditto, contributing	0 2 4	0 2 9
Dredging and Sluicing.		
Amalgamated Tin	0 7 0	0 7 4
Araluen Central	0 8 6	—
Associated Gold Dredging	0 5 3	0 6 0
Cope's Creek	0 6 0	0 7 3
New Wylie Creek	0 5 3	0 5 6
Ovens Valley	0 5 10	—
Reform Tin, paid	—	0 6 0
Stanthorpe	—	0 5 0
Tingha Tin	0 8 0	0 8 6
Turon River	0 8 3	—
Tasmania.		
Austral Valley, paid	—	0 8 0
Queensland—		
Charters Towers, etc.		
Brilliant Extended	—	0 11 9
Mount Morgan	—	4 11 0
Queen Central	0 3 4	0 4 0
Queen Cross Reef	0 4 4	0 5 0
Victory	—	0 2 4
Gympie.		
Columbia Extended	0 1 0	0 1 10
North Columbia and Smithfield, No. 1	0 1 7	0 2 0
Ditto, No. 2	—	0 14 9
North Oriental and Glanmire, No. 1	—	0 2 9
North Smithfield	0 2 0	—
Oriental and Glanmire	0 3 6	0 4 3
Smithfield and P. Golden Pile	0 4 6	—
South Glanmire and Monkland	0 9 0	0 10 6
South Great Eastern, No. 1	—	0 3 9
Ditto, No. 2	—	0 11 6
South Oriental and Glanmire, No. 1	—	0 2 6
Western Australia.		
Barrambie Range	1 9 6	—
Chaffer's	0 2 0	0 2 1
Great Boulder	1 5 6	—
Ditto, Main Reef	—	0 3 0
Ditto, No. 1	0 6 6	0 7 6
Hainault	—	1 15 0
Oroya-Brown Hill	—	2 12 6
Queensland Menzies	0 1 3	0 1 7
Queen Margaret	0 2 0	0 2 6

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper: O.K., paid, 13s 7½d; Queen Bee, 35s 1½d; Bogan River, contg, 5s; Budgery Mines, 12s 6d.

Silver: British Broken Hill, old, 40s 6d; Broken Hill Block 10, £5 5s 6d; Broken Hill Block 14, paid, 34s 3d, 34s 1½d, 32s 6d; ditto, preference, 30s 6d; Broken Hill Junction North, terms one month 35s 6d, ordinary 35s, terms two months, 35s 6d, terms five weeks 35s 6d, 35s 3d; C.S.A. Mines, paid, 29s 6d.

Tin: Pioneer Tin (Tas.), £9 3s 6d.

Gold: Columbia Extended, 1s 9d; Harden West, paid, 3s 9d; Mount David, 9d; Sunlight, 1s 6d.

AFTERNOON.

Copper: Wallaroo and Moonta, 91s; Queen Bee, 35s 3d; Budgery Mines (paid), 12s 3d; Budgery North (paid), 3s; Girilambone, 2s 6d; O. K., 13s 6½d.

Silver: Block 14, 32s 6d; B.H. Junction, 9s, 9s 1½d; B.H. South (paid), £8 5s; C.S.A. Mines (paid), 29s 6d.

Tin: Amalgamated Tin, 7s.

Gold: Chaffers, 2s 1d; Baker's Creek, 4s.

MINING NOTES.

The shaft of Le Grand Victor gold mines, Forest Reefs, was sunk 5ft 6in for the week ended February 2. The rock is hard, but jointy, and the country comparatively dry.

The contractors for sinking the shaft of the Budgery Wattle Copper Prospecting Syndicate has commenced work, and on January 31 were down 4ft.

The mine manager of the Harden West mine reports for the week ended 2nd inst. that the shaft had been sunk 9ft, making a total of 138ft. The ground has become harder, and the winch is working satisfactorily.

Tenders have been invited by the Budgery Reward North Company for sinking the shaft to 100ft, at a point where the local director considers the lode will be encountered at a shallow depth.

The Budgery Reward South Company's shaft is down 98ft. Good gossan has just come in underlying to the east, and appears to be the same class of gossan cut in the Reward shaft, which carried carbonates of copper.

A tender for a dredging plant for the Elsie Tin-mining Company, Emmaville, has been accepted, and it is anticipated that work will be commenced at the mine within two months.

The operations of the Broken Hill South mine last week embraced the treatment of 4386 tons of crude ore, which produced 656 tons of concentrates, assaying [illegible] per cent. lead, 17oz silver, and 6 per cent. zinc.

The Queen Central Company (Charters Towers) reports a crushing of 600 tons for a yield of gold valued at £1909. The Queen Cross mine also crushed 457 tons for gold valued at £1306.

The ground passed through last week by the C.S.A. Block 10 shaft, now down 106ft, showed very little change. A hard seam, averaging about 18in, of iron-stained quartz and slate mixed, is dipping from west to east.

The shaft of the C.S.A. North Company on Block 19 is down 285ft. A change occurred in the last 6ft. There is more sandstone, with copper carbonates, and threads of grey ore, also sulphide of lead in all floors and joints.

The manager of the C. S. A. Mines reports having cut a vein 18in wide in the south-west corner, coming in from the west, in the main shaft at 346ft deep. The vein carries light green carbonate of copper, and a little grey copper ore.

The ore return of the North Mount Farrell Company (Tas.) for the week ended January 26 was 22 tons of firsts, and 403 tons of seconds. The mill worked 94 hours, treating 403 tons, for a return of 34 tons of concentrates. The marketable ore produced was 56 tons. The mine throughout is looking well.

The Broken Hill Junction North weekly return was as follows:—Treated 786 tons crude ore, assaying 14.1 per cent. lead, 11.4oz. silver, and 8.4 per cent. zinc, producing 114 tons of concentrates, assaying 59 per cent. lead, 32.1oz silver, and 5 per cent. zinc. The mill ran 110 hours.

The dredge of the Cope's Creek Company worked 130 hours last week, treating overburden only. The concentrates from this will be dealt with this week. The prospects of the paddock are encouraging, and everything is working in the usual way.

Gympie Yields.—No. 1 North Columbia, 95 tons, 42oz smelted gold; No. 1 North Smithfield, 980 tons, 1062oz retorted gold; No. 2 North Columbia, 238 tons, 2905oz amalgam; East Oriental, 209 tons, 155oz amalgam. The No. 1 North Smithfield Company has declared a dividend of 1s per share, payable on Friday.

According to the last report, dated January 25, received about the Mungana copper mine, purely development work largely prevails in the Lady Jane section. In the Girofla section the face of the south-east drive at the 410ft level is in high-grade ore. The north drive has cut the ore body, and penetrated the lode 21ft. Assays of the ore are not yet available.

The Smith's Creek Proprietary Tin Mines have a rise up 37ft from the 300ft level, on 3 per cent. ore. The south drive at the 200ft level is in 8ft on 1½ per cent. ore, whilst the north drive has proved the lode for 117ft in length. During the week ended January 31 312 tons of ore were milled for 8 tons 8cwt of block tin. The record for the previous week was 7.2 tons of concentrates, of rather more than average value, from 310 tons of ore.

Last week No. 1 dredge of the Amalgamated Tin Dredging Company sluiced 90 hours, obtaining 1 ton 15cwt. of tin. The paddock was only partially cleaned up. No. 2 dredge sluiced 102 hours, obtaining 5 tons of tin. No. 3 dredge sluiced 115 hours (two shifts), obtaining 18cwt. of tin. In this case, also, the paddock was only partially cleaned up. The water supply is good. The total yield for the month of January was 25 tons.

The three dredges of the Tingha Tin Dredging Company worked full time during the week ended February 2. No. 1 dredge produced 3 tons, and No. 2 dredge 2 tons. For the four weeks ended January 26, 21½ tons were won, valued at £2656. The expenditure for the same period was £1097, so that the profit was £1559. As already announced, a dividend of 3d per share, absorbing £625, was declared payable on the 14th inst, and £500 paid on account of No. 3 dredge.

The smelting operations of the Wallaroo and Moonta Company for the fortnight ended January 26 are embraced in the following report:—"Ore received from Wallaroo mines, 2147 tons of 8 per cent.; ore received from Moonta mines, 705 tons of 13 per cent.; precipitate, 31 tons of 80 per cent. Outside ore and matte received, 206 tons. Ore smelted, 2908 tons. Silver placed to store, 3860oz. Bluestone made, 1 tons 18cwt. Sulphuric acid delivered, 179 tons.

The shaft of the C.S.A. mines, at 348ft, is passing through a leached silicified slate, with a little gossany material. The east crosscut is in 126ft, the last 6ft in poor ore. Some clean ore is showing in the face. The south drive (in 114ft) is in a brown formation, heavily charged with iron, and carrying a large amount of quartz in seams. The face of the No. 2 west crosscut off the north drive is in second grade ore. There is no change of note in the back stopes, north end. Last week 97 tons of ore were raised. To the end of last month 1536 tons of ore were railed to Cockle Creek.

Good progress was made during the past month in sinking the new shaft on the New Hillgrove Proprietary, 112ft being sunk and timbered. At No. 9 level, preparations are being made to drive the crosscut to meet the No. 2 shaft, and the various stopes are being got in readiness, so as to haul the ore through the No. 2 shaft from the 1060ft level, at the end of April. Owing to scarcity of firewood, work on the Eleanora section has been curtailed. The No. 7 level was advanced 18ft, and the winze from No. 2 to No. 3 was sunk nearly 8ft during the week. There is good ore in both development places. Excellent progress is being made with the line and the construction of the flume, in connection with the electric power works.

The scheme of reconstruction to be submitted for adoption by shareholders in the Woodlark Island Proprietary Company tomorrow provides for the transfer of the property to a new no liability company, having a capital of 50,000 shares of 5s each, all contributing. Holders of paid-up shares in the old company, and of contributing shares on which all calls to date are paid, only will be entitled to apply (in the proportion of one for each two now held) for shares in the new company, which are payable 1s per share on application, and 6d per share on allotment, calls thereafter not to exceed 6d per share per month. It is anticipated that from £3300 to £4000 are required to pay the old company's debts, and bring the mine to a productive stage. The new main shaft, which had reached a depth of 185ft on January 12, is to be continued to 400ft, and the lode, which has been proved to that depth in the neighbouring mine, opened out on at that level. The contemplated expenditure provides also for bringing the mill up to date. Meantime cyanide treatment of the old tailings is being continued with profitable results.

MINING IN THE STATE.

COOMA, Wednesday.

Very little free milling ore has been raised at the Cowra Creek fields lately, most of the claims being down on refractory ore. Negotiations are pending for the purchase of one or two properties on which it is intended to erect suitable machinery to deal with refractory ores, of which there are large quantities of good grade. Messrs. Murray are raising good copper ore from their Macanally and Fiery Creek mines, assaying over 1oz gold and up to 15 per cent. copper per ton. They have driven about 100ft along the Fiery Creek lode, showing rich sulphides and black oxide all the way. The ore also contains about 1oz gold per ton. Messrs. Henderson and party are working a copper lode near Bredbo, which is showing very well; the ore occurs in limestone, and in places carries quantities of lead and silver. Messrs. Read and party are prospecting about half a mile south on a quartz outcrop, carrying a little sulphide (copper).

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

A company is being floated in Melbourne to acquire the interests of the Sugarloaf Prospecting Company, Merrilla. The property consists of 160 acres of copper-bearing land.

THE BARRIER MINES.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

The British mine continues to do active productive work in all sections of the mine, and it is regularly despatching both crudes and concentrates. The new diamond drill bore has been started in Blackwood's 100ft level, going south. The bore at the 800 level is in west 298ft. At the 800 level the north drive towards Howell's is in 83ft, and the south drive, towards Blackwood's, is in 51ft. The north drive from Blackwood's towards Thompson's is in 463ft, 60ft having been driven for the week. Active work is progressing in the Marsh section, and good headway is being made with the new concentrates bins.

The Zinc Corporation plant on the British mine restarted work last night on a two shifts' basis.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—

Western Australian mines: Associated (col.), 23s 3d, b 23s, s 23s 6d; Northern (col.), 20s 3d, b 20s, s 20s 3d; Boulder Perseverance (col.), b 8s 3d, s 8s 6d; Great Boulder, 26s 3d, b 26s 1½d, s 26s 3d; Hainault, b 32s 6d, s 33s 6d; Junction (paid), 1s, b 11d, s 1s; Boulder Main Reef, 3s 5d; Mararoa, 6s 7d, b 6s 6d, s 6s 8d; Oroya (col.), 45s 6d b 45s, s 45s 6d; Queensland Menzies, 1s 7d, b 1s 7½d, s 1s 9d; South Gwalia (paid), b 21s, s 26s 3d; Victory United, 2s 11d, b 2s 10½d, s 2s 11d.

Various: Baker's Creek, 3s 11d, 3s 10½d, 3s 11d, b 3s 10d, s 3s 11d.

Silver: British (old), 41s, b 40s 3d, s 41s; ditto (new), 39s, b 39s 3d, s 39s 9d; B. H. Block 10, £5 6s 6d, £5 8s 6d, b £5 8s, s £5 9s; B. H. Block 14, pref. (col.), 32s 6d, 30s 6d, b 30s, s 30s 6d; ditto, ord. (col.), 34s, 32s, 32s 6d, b 32s 3d, s 32s 6d; Broken Hills, 99s, 99s 6d, b 99s, s 99s 6d; B. H. Junction North, 35s, b 34s, s 35s 1½d; B. H. Junctions, 9s 1d, 9s, 9s 1d, b 9s, s 9s 2d; North Broken Hill, 84s, b 83s, s 83s 6d; B. H. Souths (paid), £8 7s, b £8 5s, s £8 7s; ditto (contg), b £7 15s, s £7 16s 6d; B. H. South Blocks, 48s 6d, 47s 9d; Sulphides (ord.), 21s 3d, 21s 4½d, 21s 3d, b 21s 1½d, s 21s 6d; Zinc Corporation, 41s 6d, 40s 6d, b 40s, s 41s; Cathcart, £6, £9 15s.

Copper: Burra Burra, paid, 4s 5d, b 4s 2d, s 4s 5d; Chillagoe Ruddigore, £18, £17 10s, b £16 10s, s £18; Hamley, b 7s, s 8s 6d; Hampden, 28s 6d, 29s 1½d, b 29s 3d, s 29s 9d; Mount Elliott, paid, b 83s, s 87s; Mount Molloy, paid, 36s, 35s 6d, b 35s 6d, s 35s 9d; Mungana, 11s 3d, 11s 6d, b 11s 6d, s 12s; Mutooroo, contg., b 6s 9d, s 7s 6d; ditto North, b £11 10s, s £14; O.K., paid, 13s 6d, b 13s 4½d, s 13s 7½d; Wallaroo and Moonta, 91s, b 90s 6d, s 90s 9d; Benowrie, 1s 2d, b 1s, s 1s 2d; Mount Lyell, b 57s, s 57s 3d; Mount Hope, contg., 4s 8d, 4s 11d, b 4s 9d, s 4s 11d.

Tin: Briseis, b 13s, s 13s 3d; Dalziell, 11s 3d, b 11s 1½d, s 11s 3d; Smith's Creek, b 8s 6d, s 8s 9d; Stannary Hills, 5s 9d, b 5s 8d, s 5s 9d.

BENDIGO, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations and sales were:—Catherine Reef, s 32s 6d; Clarence United, s 23s 3d; Collmann and Tacchi, b 9s 10½d, s 10s 1½d, sales 10s, 10s 1½d; Frederick the Great, b 1s 3d, s 1s 8d; Goldfield Consols, b 14s 7½d, s 15s; Goldfields Extended, s 2s 6d; Hustler's Reef, b 17s 6d, s 20s; Johnson's Reef, s 9s; Lazarus, s 5s; New Chum Consolidated, s 3s 9d; New Moon, s £7 1s; New Shenandoah, b 3s, s 3s 3d, sales 3s; North Bendigo, b 8s 3d, s 9s 6d; North Johnson, b 1s 5d, s 1s 9d; Princess Dagmar, s 3s 9d; Sea, b 7s; Specimen Hill, b 34s; Suffolk United, s 10s.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Dalziell's, 10s 9d, 11s 3d; Glassford Creek, 3s 4d, 4s; Gilmore, 4s 5d, 5s 1d; Hampden, paid, s 30s; Mount Cannindah, 4s 10½d, 5s 0½d; Mount Elliott, s 90s; Mount Hector, contg, 37s 6d, 39s; Mount Merlin, contg, £9 2s 6d, £9 5s; Mount Molloy, s 35s 3d; Mungana, 10s 10d, 11s 2d; O.K., 13s 6d, 13s 9d, forward, b 13s 6d; Peak Downs, contg, 34s, 40s; Phoenician, contg, b 3s 7d, forward 3s 9d, 4s 6d. Willcock's, paid, s £32.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Bonnie Dundee, 1s 4d, 1s 9d; B. Central, s 9s; B. Extended, 7s, 8s 9d; ditto (paid), s 12s; Carrington, 5s 6d, 8s; Day Dawn, s 3s; School Reserve, 1s 2d, 1s 6d; Mexican, 2s 9d, 3s 6d; Alexandra, 3s 2d, 3s 4d; ditto (paid), 5s 4d, 5s 8d; Kelly's, 5s 6d, 5s 7d; Marshall's, 1s 8d, 1s 11d; Mills' United, 17s 6d, 18s 6d; New B. Freehold, 3s 4d, 3s 9d; Q. Cross, b 4s 3d; Q. Central, 3s 5d, 3s 7d; Ruby, 3s 4d, 3s 6d; ditto (paid), b 4s; Victoria Queen, 1s 8d, 2s; Victory, s 2s 6d.

Sales: Carrington, 5s 7d; Carrington East, 11d, 10d; Mexican, 3s; Alexandra, 3s 3d; Kelly's, 5s 7d; Q. Central, 3s 5d; Ruby, 4s.

GYMPIE, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—No. 1 N. Columbia, 1s 8d, 2s 1d; No. 2 N. Columbia, 13s, 18s; Great Northern, 1s 1d, 2s; North Glanmire Tribute, 10d, 1s 8d; Oriental Consols, 7½d, 9½d; North Smithfield, 2s 5d, 3s 3d.

LAUNCESTON, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Mount Magnet, b 25s, s 26s; North Mount Farrell, b 18s 6d, s 18s 9d; Hercules, b 16s 9d, s 17s 9d; Tasmanian Copper, b 14s 10d, s 15s; Mount Bischoff, b £19 10s, s £20; Arba, b 21s, s 21s 4½d; Pioneer, s £9 2s; Wynlford, b 1s 2d, s 1s 4d.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—

Silver: B.H. Block 10, £5 7s, £5 6s, b £5 7s, s £5 8s; B.H. Block 14, 31s 9d; ditto (pref.), 31s, s 31s; Broken Hill, b £4 19s, s £5 1s; ditto Junction, 9s, s 9s 6d; ditto Junction North, 34s 9d, 34s 7½d, b 34s 9d, s 34s 10½d; ditto South, paid, s £8 10s; ditto South Blocks, 48s 9d, 48s 3d, b 48s, s 48s 6d; ditto Lead and Zinc, s 2s; New White Leads, 2s 6d, s 2s 6d; North Broken Hill, 83s 6d, b 83s, s 85s; Sulphide, s 22s.

Gold and copper: Crown Lyell, 1s 8d, 1s 7d, b 1s 7d, s 1s 7½d; Curtin and Davis, 2s, 2s 1d, b 2s, s 2s 1d; Hercules, 17s, 17s 4d, b 16s 9d, s 18s; Mount Lyell, 58s 6d, 58s, b 57s 6d, s 58s; Tasmanian Copper, 15s 1½d, 15s 2d, s 15s 2d; Tasmania and Crown Extended, 2s 6d, 2s 10d, b 2s 8d, s 2s 9d; ditto, paid, 2s 9d, 2s 5d; Victoria Zeehan, paid, 1s; Chillagoe, 10s 4d, 10s 7d, b 10s 6d, s 10s 9d; Hampden, 28s 3d, 29s 9d, 29s 6d, b 29s 4½d, s 29s 7½d; Leichhardt, s £50; Macgregor, 11s 9d, 11s 8d, b 11s 7d, s 11s 9d; Mount Elliott, b 83s; Mount Hope, 4s 9d, b 4s 9d, s 5s; Mount Molloy, b 35s 6d; Mungana, 11s 3d, 11s 5d, b 11s 5d, s 11s 6d; O.K., b 13s 3d; ditto, Adelaide register, 13s 8d, 13s 7d, b 13s 7d, s 13s 9d; ditto, Queensland, register, 13s 6d, 13s 5d, b 13s 5d, s 13s 6d; Peak Downs, b 31s, s 43s; Callington (S.A.), 4s, b 4s, s 4s 6d; Crowl Creek (N.S.W.), b 4s; Derby Copper (W.A.), £15; Mount Morgan (Q.), s 90s; Obagooma (W.A.), £20.

Tin: Briseis, 13s 3d, b 13s 2d, s 13s 3d; ditto, Extended, b 55s; Brothers No. 1, 20s 6d, b 20s 6d, s 21s; Cope's Creek Central, 21s, 21s 3d, b 21s 6d, s 24s; ditto, pref., b 24s, s 25s 9d; Gladstone, b £6, s £7; Melbourne Cope's Creek, b 13s 4d, s 13s 9d; Pioneer, £9, b £9, s £9 10s; Ringarooma, b 60s; Wynlford, 1s 2½d, b 1s 2½d.

Victorian gold mines: All Nations, 1s 6d, b 1s 4d, s 1s 6d; Bromley's Reef, 5s 6d, 5s 4d, b 5s, s 5s 6d; Catherine Reef, 41s 9d, b 40s, s 42s; Central Cookman's, 8s, 8s 6d b 8s 8d, s 10s; Derby United, 7s, 6s 9d, 7s 1d, 7s, b 6s 11d, s 7s; Emu, 3s 1½d; Gladstone, 1s 8½d; Goldfields Consols, 14s 9d, 14s 11d, b 14s 3d; Great Southern, b 22s, s 25s; Llanberris, 17s 10½d; Long Tunnel, b 85s; ditto Extended, b £13 5s, s £13 15s; Mount Tarrangower, 1s, 11½d, b 11d; New Argus, s 21s 6d; New Chum Goldfields, b 18s, s 19s 6d; New Dempsey, 9s 6d, 10s, 9s 9d, s 9s 9d; New Loch Fyne, s 3s 3d; New Moon, s £7 5s; Nuggety Ajax, 19s 9d, 19s 3d, 19s 6d, b 19s, s 19s 3d; Old Jubilee, 3s 6d, 4s, 3s 6d; Port Arthur No. 1, 5s 5d; Pitcher's Reef, paid, 3s 3d, b 3s 3d, s 3s 8d; Russell's Reef, 4s 4d, s 4s 6d; Sailors' Falls, 5s 3d, 5s, b 4s 10d, s 5s; S. Caledonia, 4s, b 3s 9d; South German, 52s, 54s 6d, 52s, 53s, b 52s 6d, s 53s 6d; St. John's, 71s, b 72s, s 76s; Victor's Quartz, 5s, 4s 9d, 5s 3d, b 5s 2d, s 5s 3d; W. Berry Consolidated, 5s, b 5s, s 5s 3d.

Western Australian gold mines: Barrambie Ranges, 31s 6d, 32s 3d, 32s, b 31s 9d, s 32s 2d; Black Range, 40s; Havilah, s 20s; Mararoa, s 7s 6d.

THE MOUNT LYELL FIELD.

SATISFACTORY DEVELOPMENT.

QUEENSTOWN, Wednesday.

The developments at the 850ft level of the North Mount Lyell continue satisfactory. The east crosscut has penetrated 25ft of highly payable ore, and it is pretty certain that the crosscut is only going through the narrowest portion of the body, as proved at the corresponding point in the 700ft level. The main crosscut face is again in ordinary mineralised rock. The crosscut at the winze end is now in ore. It is identical with that which was broken in widening out on the ore body.

The sinking of the main shaft has been resumed at the Mount Lyell Blocks. The main shaft at the Mount Lyell Consols is down about 41ft. Progress is very slow.

Tenders are invited for driving a tunnel 100ft on the Crown Lyell north-east of the main workings.

At the Warden's Court to-day Thornton Root Linda applied for the forfeiture of the Mount Lyell Extended Company's lease for failure to employ labour and to expend money in accordance with the Mining Act. Four witnesses, including Mr. Curtain, Inspector of Mines, were examined for the applicant. Nicholas Madden, legal manager, gave evidence for the lessees. The point was raised that the company was entitled under section 5 to exemption from forfeiture for five months. The warden, in reserving his decision, said it had been made abundantly clear to him that no work had been done during the currency of the lease.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN ITEMS.

KALGOORLIE, Wednesday.

During January the output of the Kalgurli mine was 10,703 tons for 7432 fine oz., valued at £31,574. The expenditure was £1120, and the profit £20,284.

The Cosmo Propty. treated 2150 tons for 682 fine oz., valued at £2891. They expended a total of £4549, leaving a loss on the month's operations of £1658.

The Lake View Consols treated 11,508 tons for 3327 fine oz., valued at £14,082. This includes 110 fine oz. from slags. The expenditure was £12,367, and the profit £1715.

The Oroya Brown Hill treated 11,059 tons for 11,443oz, valued at £48,517. The expenditure was £13,264, and the profit £35,253.

The Great Fingall Company treated 21,724 tons for 8257 fine oz., valued at £35,089.

The Kalgurli treated 8720 tons for 2945oz., valued at £12,488. The expenditure was £9764, and the profit £2724.

At the Kalgurli South the drive off the main west crosscut at the 1150ft level has now been opened up a total distance of 115ft. The value of the ore in the last 15ft driven is 17dwt. So far payable ore has been opened up north and south in this level for nearly 250ft, and the south end marks the farthest point in this direction that the ore has been obtained in the mine. Plats have been cut at the 1350ft level of this property, and crosscutting started.

The Golden Ridge is reported to be opening up very satisfactorily at the 300ft level.

TASMANIAN MINES.

ZEEHAN, Wednesday.

Lot three of 23¼ tons dry weight of ore, from the Mount Farrell, has been assayed, with the following result:—Lead, 67 per cent.; silver, 91oz per ton. The bulk sample being from the boxes, the ratio goes to show that very little silver will be lost when milling the seconds.

News has been received that the balance of the shares necessary for the quotation of the Mountain Chief, in the Farrell district, has been underwritten in Melbourne, where the company will be registered.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, Feb. 6.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday quotations of Australian mining ventures were:—Broken Hill Propty., b £4 19s 4d, s £5 0s 7d; British Broken Hill, b £2, s £2 2s 6d; Block 10, b £5 5s, s £5 7s 6d; South Broken Hill, b £8 5s, s £8 7s 6d.

Private cables state that amongst the shares quoted on the London Stock Exchange on Tuesday were the following:—Boulder No. 1, s 7s 3d; Unions, 49s 6d; Lyndhurst, 27s 6d; Broken Hills, £5 (m), Oroya, s 48s 9d; B.H. 10, £5 6s 3d (m); Mount Lyells, s 56s 10½d; Briseis, 13s 3d (m); Mount Elliotts, b 86s 3d; Hampdens, 29s 6d (m); Zinc Corporation, 41s 10½d (m); B.H. South Blocks, b 49s 4½d; Fingalls, s 47s 6d; Kalgurli, £11 12s 6d (m).

Spelter was quoted at £26.

MINING DIVIDENDS.

Dividends have been declared, payable on the dates mentioned hereunder. C denotes when transfer books close, and P when payable.

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NEW SOUTH WALES.	
Tingha Cons., C. Feb. 21, P. March 7	10 per cent.
Cope's Creek, C. Feb. 11, P. Feb. 15	0 6
Lloyd's Copper, P. March 2	1 0
Melbourne Cope's Creek, C. Feb. 11, P. Feb. 14	0 6
Tingha Tin-dredging, P. Feb. 14	0 3
Yerranderie, C. Feb. 8, P. Feb. 18	1 6
B.H. Proprietary, C. Feb. 6, P. Feb. 20	2 6
B.H. Block 14, C. Jan. 20, P. Feb. 13	1 0
B.H. South, C. Feb. 1, P. Feb. 16	4 0
VICTORIA.	
Birthday Tunnel, C. Feb. 9, P. Feb. 13	0 6
Oven's Valley, C. Feb. 7, P. Feb. 11	0 3
Ajax, C. Feb. 12, P. Feb. 19	2 0
South German, P. Feb. 14	1 0
Phoenix Gold-dredging, C. Feb. 1, P. Feb. 7	1 0
Port Arthur, C. Feb. 4, P. Feb. 8	0 6
Camilla, C. Feb. 7, P. Feb. 14	0 6
QUEENSLAND.	
No. 1 North Smithfield, P. Feb. 8	1 0
Ruby, P. Feb. 15	0 6
TASMANIA.	
New Bros.' Home, No. 1, C. Feb. 18, P. Feb. 20	0 6
Briseis Tin, P. Feb. 28	0 6
North Mount Farrell, C. Feb. 22, P. March 1	0 9
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.	
Black Range, C. Feb. 2, P. Feb. 8	0 6

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

Wallaroo and Moonta Company, January 26:—Wallaroo mines: Taylor's shaft now 2236ft. In stopes at 3?5ft west, lode averages 8ft, valued at 7 per cent. In those at same level east, average width is 11ft, value 4½ per cent. Office shaft: One stope at 305ft, and all but two at 285ft, are in abeyance, pending certain repairs. Moonta mines.—Treuer's shaft: In drive at 50ft, lode is carried for width of 4ft, valued at 3 tons of 15 per cent. ore per lineal fathom. North yelta: In stopes at 82ft north, lode estimated at 3½ per cent. Cementation: Leaching operations have proceeded on the lines of previous reports.

Mount Lyell Consols, January 25:—Surface work in connection with mill proceeding as usual; will be ready to start buildings as soon as timber arrives. Main shaft: Men timbering up, and draining off surface water.

Sandstone Development Company (W.A.), January 19:—Juno No. 1 shaft: Down 70ft; ground soft and heavy, with partly decomposed greenstone showing, winch and boiler in position, and headgear being erected. Sandridge No. 2 shaft: Down 36ft. Wirraminna shaft: 42ft. Juno C shaft: Crosscut west in 25ft; branches of quartz passed through, carrying fair values (about 40s per ton); two small prospecting drives will be put in here later. Venus: A prospecting shaft started, and down 10ft. Three vertical boilers now on leases, also two winches. Third winch and large quantity of mining stores, etc, now on the road.

Mount David Company, February 2:—340ft level. Main winch winze sunk to 43ft. South-east drive extended to 73ft; reef 2ft. Reef in stope at back of this level 2ft 6in thick, showing gold. North-west drive stope on 2ft of stone at back of this level. Expect to have leaching section of cyanide plant completed by end of week.

Victory (Charters Towers), January 26:—No. 4 shaft: Rise from No. 2A level up 115ft. At 102ft plat formed and levels started east and west. East level on 3in white stone and 2ft of formation. Cross reef averages 8in fair-looking mineral stone. No. 1 shaft: Stopes over No. 9B west level 3in to 5in; quality medium. Intermediate level 6in; quality good. Stopes over Tuckett's level 2in to 5in; quality good. Stopes over No. 7 level on footwall of Victory reef, 3in to 5in; quality fair. Clark's shaft: No. 2 east level 6in, showing little mineral. No. 1 west level, 2in; quality medium. Underhand stope, 2in to 6in; stopes over this level 3in to 5in; quality fair.

OUR RAILWAYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—A certain section of the public, while agreeing that the Government has done well in the appointment of two of our tried railway officials to the positions of Commissioners, yet take exception to the appointment of a chief from outside Australia upon the plea that we have sufficient experts within our service quite equal, if not superior, to imported men. But did the late railway board justify such a belief. I say most emphatically No! and the newly-appointed local Commissioners, good men though they undoubtedly are, have been too long under the old system to remedy some of the chief faults in our service. Mr. Oliver is said to have worked the railways at a cost of 54½ per cent. of the earnings. But how did he do it? First, he had exceptionally good seasons, which have brought a large increase in business in spite of faults in management; and second, by curtailing expenditure in a most important branch, namely, rolling stock. At the present time it is notorious that the number of locomotives is quite inadequate to the traffic, and the few being built at Clyde will not keep up the efficiency. Mr. Johnson, the new Commissioner, will be at once face to face with the necessity of obtaining from 80 to 100 new engines. The ones we have are nearly all old. It is true we have a number of suburban engines nearly new, and a few Baldwins also, but time after time one hears locomotive men say the locomotives don't get a chance; they never cool down and get a rest or an adequate clean. They nearly all lack paint. The other day I stood on No. 1 platform watching an important train leave. The engine was really dirty, only the working parts being rubbed up a bit, but round the cylinder ends and cranks were old accumulations of dirt and oil. I feel ashamed when I see the dozens and dozens of dirty old kettles we possess, like a lot of wild, ungroomed horses. Our high officials state that paint was substituted for brass because easier to clean, but in most cases the paint is absent as well as the brass. The newer engines look decent yet, but they are getting shabby rapidly. And our carriages. Once we used to point to them with pride. Suburban vehicles are pretty fair, because constantly under the eye of the city public, but the long-distance trains are often disgraceful, and there is rarely sufficient accommodation, overcrowding being the rule in most instances in the second-class. Only to-day (Friday) the Melbourne express arrived in Sydney with one carriage on (second-class) at least 30 years old, and an engine absolutely without paint, when it should be the show train of the State, and spick and span in paint and varnish, as are the great expresses at home. No wonder the sea route is so much patronised. If second-class passengers could travel in comfort there would be double the number use the trains. In all the journeys I have taken north, south, and west I have made generally most wretched journeys from overcrowding, and the reason is there is not nearly enough rolling stock. We want more carriages, up to date. It is plain that our Government has done quite right in importing a man who is used to competitive railway management, and therefore knows what is best in the part which the public see most of, namely, engines and carriages. The railway from which our new chief has been selected (the G.N.R.) is spoken of in a recent issue of the "Railway Magazine" as being second to none in comfort, cleanliness, safety, and general efficiency, while the carriages and engines always look smart and nearly new. Paint and varnish are cheaper than dirt and rust. We want our journeys to be in comfort. Ninety per cent. or more of the G.N.R. passenger traffic is third-class, and we can see by frequent photos in leading periodicals how well they are catered for. The public recognise the value of the two locally-appointed men for their long service, local knowledge, and experience; but the old commission must not get credit for a record which will have speedily to be reversed if we remember that it saddles our new commission with an immediate expense in engines and carriages. The public must be loyal to the new chief when he arrives, and give him fair play, and not hinder him, as was done when the late Mr. Eddy first arrived. I could go into more detail about the locomotives, but I think I have said sufficient for the public, and many railway men will agree with my statements.

I am, etc.,

UNBIASSED.

EPIDEMICS.

In times of Epidemics of Fevers, Cholera, Plague, etc., too much care cannot be observed in keeping the digestive organs in proper order, and providing against all stomach troubles. It is a generally admitted fact that while Plague is transmitted by media of the flea, yet the individual attacked is more able to withstand its deadly effects if in a perfect state of health than one whose health is impaired. To ensure this, nothing is more efficacious than a stimulating tonic that will successfully combat all stomach ailments. The "Fernet Branca Tonic" and Digestive Bitters is the greatest of all modern discoveries for counteracting those disturbances which precede Cholera, Plague, or other similar complaints, and as a remedy for those lingering ailments which last so long afterwards. It promotes appetite, aids digestion, corrects inertia and stomach weakness, and cures dyspepsia. "Fernet Branca" is composed of purely aromatic vegetable substances, palatable and agreeable; its action is rapid and most successful in all chronic liver complaints. Ask for "Fernet Branca Tonic" Bitters. Sold by all Chemists and Hotelkeepers, and wholesale by F. Gagliardi and Co., Hoffnung's-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney.—Advt.

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TO PLEASURE MADAME.

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CHAPTER XIX.—Continued.

The Royalist Lady, the malignant woman from Castle Carnet, the whisper went round according to the special shape of principle or prejudice among the onlookers. All were conscious of a quickened sense of drama, as she came forward and planted herself in her flaunting beauty full in front of Diana's bower. She stared the girl up and down with cool, appraising insolence, while young Andros advanced to Arnaud and began to stumble out some apology. Ranulf went red and then white with anger. Paul turned to him with something of the look of a dog which with its teeth bared waits only on its master's sign to make the throttling spring. Even Arnaud's face had lost something of its composure; but no flush stained the rose-leaf whiteness of Diana's face. The grey eyes gazed calmly out at the dusty sunlight streaming through the open door, as if no such obstruction as Mistress Philippa's brilliant person intervened.

The girl might neither be town bred nor court bred, but Eleanor Chenies' daughter was not like to lack any of the qualities of a grande dame. Like the men and women of her race, Diana was proud with that deepest, most ingrained pride which feels no need to assert itself outwardly, and Mistress Northcote was not likely to come off victor in the silent duel which she had provoked.

"I thought that she had told you of her purpose when you were at La Haye this morning. She so assured me," said young Andros.

In the staring silence which had fallen upon the room Diana caught the anxious exculpatory murmur, as Arnaud, before the situation should become more strained, advanced upon Philippa. If he did not intervene it was plain that Ranulf would, and that swiftly. In a man like Arnaud de Beauvoir, with a keen, cold, unrelenting brain bound to strong warring appetites and senses, the iron in that incongruous compound which can never be a union, will have cause only too often to curse the marring weakness of the yielding clay. He had never, perhaps, cursed it more bitterly than when, with memories of the lamp-lit room in the sea-girt castle of last night, even under the boding fiery sunset, he advanced before Diana's eyes to Philippa's side. How far her caution, a broken reed indeed, might serve, with what degree of familiarity she might respond when he addressed her, he could not even conjecture.

"I knew not that the fame of our little fete had spread as far as La Haye," he said. "But since my stepsister, Mistress Diana Chenies, is honouring our worthy friends by acting 'La Mome' for them, according to our island fashion, it would seem to have got noised abroad." Mingling with his tone, which was that of a courteous stranger, there was a hint of repressive admonition as to an unruly child, as he added, "We are not often favoured with visits from neighbouring seigneuries at these homely little frolics."

"Is it so indeed—am I unwelcome then? 'Tis well to know," said Philippa with a jarring laugh. "But since I understand from young Ned there that 'La Mome' may not speak—a cruel fate surely even for an hour—I need not offer my excuses or ask that the young lady be presented to me."

With a glance at Diana to see if that shaft at least would not rankle, Philippa rustled a few paces away, not unwilling to escape from a position fast growing untenable.

"Nay, I am sorry if I have offended," she said to Arnaud, in what was, perhaps, meant for an aside, but some women have no undertones. "I knew not that it was Mistress Chenies. I thought it was only village wenches who thus made a gazing-stock of themselves, and looked to see but a bouncing damsel who would have been glad to take a luckpenny from me. For myself, I'd as lief stand in the pillory."

"'Tis indeed a great and signal condescension on Mistress Diana's part; but our good Ogiers have been faithful servants, and deserve well of us," said Arnaud gravely. As he piloted her at last from the room he added a coldly civil offer of rest and refreshment at La Varclin, which young Andros made haste to decline. The lad was evidently on thorns to be fairly away, and Ranulf went with him to see to the horses.

As the last flutter of Mistress Northcote's plumes disappeared, and the echo of her loud, ringing voice died away, Paul slowly unclenched his fists, and a deep murmur of angry sympathy went round the throng. Philippa had spoken English, which very few present understood, but none had failed to understand the insolence of her tone and air. "English jade! London Jezebel!" were the most courteous of the epithets muttered after her; but as by degrees fresh arrivals pressed in, the air of kindly good fellowship was restored, as the surface of a pool gradually settles to stillness again after the splashing plunge of a heavy stone.

Under her proud pale quietude Diana's blood had burned at Philippa's gaze; but the sense of insult to herself had passed from her mind like a drop of water rolling from a leaf, at those startling words of young Ned Andros. Arnaud at La Haye that morning!—what could have taken him there? Not likely mere friendship or business with Sir Amias. Had suspicion led him there? Could he have seen anything—learned anything—?

Suddenly Philippa's voice struck upon her ear again. In a Guernsey farmhouse the lit de fouaille was always placed under a window, so that the light might fall upon the spinners or knitters whose seat it was. La Galliotte was no exception to this; but it was an exception for the little casement to be set wide, as at Diana's urgency had been done, and through the open window Philippa's full heedless tones came clear and strong upon her ear.

"So you are to get your answer to-night! You might have done me the grace this morning to tarry and tell me of it, instead of leaving me to gather what I could, and I gather that they do not trust you over well, mon ami. They'd rather be served as by your brother for loves sake—'tis cheaper so—you drive a hard bargain."

"Hush, are you mad?" came low and peremptory from Arnaud.

"Tush, what matter! Sure, I have named no names. Have a care though that they give you not the slip ere nightfall."

"I had trusted to you being there to lime the twig," said Arnaud scoffingly. "They are scarce like to risk it; but if your arms cannot hold them, ma mie, they will fall straight into the embrace of those who can."

They were passing close under the window, though with the rapid fall of the ground seaward it was high above their heads. The steps receded when Philippa spoke again, no words could be distinguished, and presently the the clatter of hoofs floated in on the rising afternoon breeze. The sound died away and left Diana sitting in frozen stillness. The blood seemed to stagnate in a heavy, choking mass over the slow-toiling heart. The crowd of faces, the buzz of talk were but a darkening blur, a fading whisper. The hot air struck chill and heavy as in a cave. She tried to move one of the hands folded upon her lap, but it might have been a piece of fair marble. What was happening to her? Was this a swoon? She had seen her mother faint, but she must not—she dare not. By sheer force of will she dragged herself back from that dim, mysterious void which lies so close to living consciousness. She forced her head more erect, drew in a long breath, and sent a questing glance round the ring of homely faces on which as yet no surprise was written. That blind buffeting against an unknown oncoming horror could have lasted but for a moment, and next instant all her faculties responded with a rush to the call upon them, and were working with furious torturing speed.

What had that woman's words meant? The secret was out which should have been sold only at the price of blood. She knew—Arnaud knew—God! how much? Too much—all, most like, for they were not strangers, Arnaud and this woman, that was clear—and she a Royalist and a friend of Sir Amias! What use might not Arnaud make of such knowledge? What bargain had he driven at La Haye that morning? It was for life and safety—it would be a hard one then. Thought came in gasps like hard-drawn breaths. Would he keep his word? Waynflete, it was plain, doubted it—so did she, else why was La Haye watched and guarded, as Arnaud's words implied?

Conviction sprang full-grown upon her at the sight of Arnaud's calm, well-featured face among the rough-hewn island countenances. He came up to her, an inquiring smile upon his lips, as if dumbly asking her how she did—if she could endure; but she felt his eyes upon her cold and hard as flint, and she wondered if they could read anything in her face. But if his look was flint, her temper was steel, and the one struck sparks of fresh effort from the other. She dressed her lips in a brighter smile, and tossed him a wry little nod of dismissal. He stepped aside, but only to take up his position beside her—close beside her—and she the only one who could give warning!

(To be Continued.)

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A striking picture appears in the current issue of "The Sydney Mail." It is entitled "Prizewinners and their Owners at Berry National Show," with a view of the general parade.—Advt.

A fine photograph of the late Hon. Sir John See is given in this week's "Sydney Mail." It is accompanied by a character sketch.—Advt.

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THE SYDNEY MAIL.

THIS WEEK'S ISSUE.

MANY SPLENDID PICTURES AND ABSORBINGLY INTERESTING STORIES AND ARTICLES.

Among the contributions to the "Sydney Mail" this week are the following:—"Bush Eccentrics," a Sketch by A. D. Bayldon; "The Sinker Shop," a Sketch of night coffee stalls by "Philo;" "Sydney Station on Sunday Morning," by J.M.K.; Nature Studies, Literary Gossip, "The Crick-stone," a story (five chapters), by Charles Marriott; "Twins" (the Australian short story of the week), by H. M. Somer; "The Beautiful Old Lady," a story for children, by Vera G. Dwyer; and several pieces of Australian verse. These are in addition to our usual pastoral, agricultural, and sporting articles.

THE LATE SIR JOHN SEE.

A PORTRAIT AND AN INTERESTING PERSONAL SKETCH.

This article tells how it came about in a strange way that John See left the country to enter business in the city. It gives some interesting details of his career, but more especially aims at showing the character of the man, and the qualities that conspired to raise him to the first position in the State.

NORTH COAST WINNING FARMS IN THE SYDNEY MAIL AND SYDNEY MORNING HERALD COMPETITION.

A SET OF INSTRUCTIVE ILLUSTRATIONS.

THE SYDNEY MAIL and THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD Farm Competitions have done much towards drawing attention to the agricultural possibilities of New South Wales. The illustrations in this issue indicate the character of the country, quality of stock, and also general operations on the farms included in the North Coast division. On December 19 last, the successful farms in the Southern Tablelands division were depicted, and "Mail" readers will note that coastal farming is altogether different from that of inland centres. It is in this respect that New South Wales holds an advantage of most other countries. Here there are varieties of soil and climate which render it possible to follow almost any agricultural pursuit profitably. The South Coast has been the nursery of prolific milk producers, but the North Coast is bidding strongly for supremacy in breeding of dairy stock and quality of products. The object of the proprietors of the Sydney Mail and Sydney Morning Herald in organising the competitions was to encourage in a practical way improved methods and high-class farming and dairying. Over 250 entries were received for the two completed competitions. It is, therefore, evident that the men on the land fully appreciate the effort made to encourage improved farming, and to fully demonstrate the agricultural and dairying capabilities of the country. The educational value of the contests must be great, and thus the benefits will be widespread. The pictures published in this week's issue will go a long way towards that end. The farms illustrated are those of W. J. Giggins (Raymond Terrace), H. M. Williams (Alstonville), and S. Reynolds (Paterson River). These prize farms stand as object-lessons to the agriculturists of Australia.

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OTHER FEATURES.

Great Fire at Lismore—a splendid picture. The Railway Commission—portraits of Messrs. Kirkcaldie and Richardson. Sheep for South Africa—a page of interest to all sheep men.

THE TURF COLUMNS.

"Milroy" writes on Public-house Racing and the Gaming Act; Warwick Farm Notes; V.R.C. Weights; Stud Notes. There is also special matter from New Zealand, Queensland, and Victoria.

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NOTICE is hereby given that persons desirous of appealing against the Assessment of their Properties for City Rates are requested to give notice of such intention to the undersigned on or before MONDAY, the 11th day of February, and such appeals will be heard at a special sitting of the Metropolitan District Court, Queen's-square, Sydney, commencing on Thursday, the 28th day of February next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Forms of appeal may be had on application.

THOMAS H. NESBITT, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Sydney, 25th January, 1907.

THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANNANDALE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a duly convened Meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Annandale, held on the 4th day of February, 1907, his Worship the Mayor, Alderman Owen Ridge, was appointed Returning Officer for the said Municipality, and that Alderman Thomas Edward Colebrook was appointed Substitute Returning Officer.

J. GOLDEN HINSBY, Council Clerk.

Council-chambers, Annandale, 5th February, 1907.

MUNICIPALITY OF PADDINGTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that Messrs. A. J. LEE and R. W. USHER have been appointed to make the ANNUAL VALUATION of RATEABLE PROPERTY within this Municipality for the Municipal Year 1907-8.

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WANTED, Nursery Governess, for country, to teach 4 girls, must be good teacher music and painting. Apply Mrs. J. H. JAMES, Ulalie, Swamp Oak, via Tamworth.
WANTED, for a small New South Wales Gold Mine, a MINE MANAGER; must be certificated under the State laws. Apply, stating age, training, and wage required, to Boulder, Herald Office.
WANTED, AN ARTIST, young girl, or lady, with few pounds, Partner with artist. Press and Post Card work; must be good B. and W. Apply PENCIL, Herald, King-street.
WANTED, MACHINISTS, Bodice and Skirt Hands. Apply between 1 and 2 p.m., Underclothing Showroom, DAVID JONES, Ltd.
WANTED, active Business Man as Partner, with £400, amount to be used in extending old-established Manufacturing Business, principals only, Solicitor's refs. exchanged. Industry, Herald Branch.
WANTED at once, FIRST-CLASS JOINERS, and FIRST-CLASS CABINET MAKERS. RITCHIE BROS., Carriage Works, Auburn.
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WANTED, SALESMAN, for Glass and Crockery Department; experienced man, with good knowledge of the Trade. Also smart BOYS, from school preferred, for various Departments. Apply HARDWARE DEPARTMENT, F. LASSETTER and COY., Ltd.
WANTED, DRAPER'S DISSECTION CLERKS.
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YOUTH, learn station experience, £15 1st year, fare paid. Wilton, 29 Elizabeth-st.
YOUNG GIRLS wanted, for light needlework, 264 Johnston-st, Annandale, Balmain tram.
YOUNG LADY PUPIL required for Valaze Massage Institute. Apply Mlle. RUBINSTEIN, 158 Pitt-street.
Z.—WHY have your Teeth out? Why suffer? Use NERVOL, an antiseptic cream that hardens in the tooth and makes a filling that lasts. Prevents and stops toothache at once, arrests decay, saves the teeth. The preparation of a well-known dentist. Easy to use. 1s 6d, at SOUL'S, Pitt-street, or PATTINSON'S.

MEETINGS.

THE KENSINGTON GOLF LINKS, LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General MEETING of the Company will be held at 4.30 p.m. on THURSDAY, 28th February, at the Company's Office, Norwich-chambers, Hunter-street, Sydney; to receive Directors' Report and Balance-sheet to 31st December last; to elect a Director in lieu of F. W. Learoyd, Esq., who retires in accordance with the Articles of Association, and who is eligible for re-election and has given the requisite notice of his candidature for the office of Director; to elect an Auditor; and to transact general business. WILFRID L. DOCKER, Secretary. Sydney, 6th February, 1907.
AUSTRALASIAN INSTITUTE MARINE ENGINEERS.—An Extraordinary MEETING will be held on SATURDAY, the 9th inst, at 7.30 p.m., at their Rooms, to present Mr. Fred. Harvey, Chief Engineer of S.S. Rangatira, with the Gold Emblem of the Institute for the mechanical skill he displayed in effecting repairs to enable the vessel to reach port. WALTER PECK, Secretary.
THE SYDNEY HYDRAULIC AND GENERAL ENGINEERING COMPANY, Limited.
SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the Ordinary General MEETING will be held at the Registered Office, Mutual Life of New York Building, Martin-place, Sydney, at 2.45 p.m. TO-DAY. TOM DICKINSON, Manager. Sydney, 7th February, 1907.
THE SYDNEY AND SUBURBAN HYDRAULIC POWER COMPANY, Limited.
SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the Ordinary General MEETING will be held at the Registered Office, Mutual Life of New York Building, Martin-place, Sydney, at 2.30 p.m. TO-DAY. TOM DICKINSON, Secretary. Sydney, 7th February, 1907.
THE ROSEHILL RACECOURSE COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary GENERAL MEETING of the abovenamed Company will be held at the Company's Office, as abovementioned, on FRIDAY, the 8th FEBRUARY, 1907, at 2 p.m., when the Resolutions which were passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 18th JANUARY, 1907, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions. By order of the Board. GEO. W. S. ROWE, Secretary. 32 Moore-street, Sydney, 24th January, 1907.
METROPOLITAN MUTUAL PERMANENT BUILDING AND INVESTMENT ASSOCIATION, Limited. 65 MARKET-STREET, SYDNEY.
The Annual MEETING will be held at the office of the Association, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, February 7th, 1907, at 3 p.m. It will be the duty of the meeting:
1. To Receive Report and Balance-sheet for the year ending December 31st, 1906.
2. To Elect one Director. Mr. F. H. Reuss, the retiring Director, is eligible for re-election.
3. To Elect Two Auditors. Messrs. Thos. Davis and Henry Dean are eligible for re-election.
4. To transact any other business in accordance with the Articles of Association.
ROBERT W. CONWAY, Manager. FERD'D. H. REUSS, Chairman.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

RATS. RATS. RATS. RATS. RATS.
Prevention is better than cure. Use Eastway's Wire Guards. Put Wire Guards in every nook and corner. Rats cannot get through wirework. You must keep the rats out. The only thing to do it is EASTWAY'S WIRE GUARDS. A few pounds spent on Wire Guards will save the loss of hundreds of pounds. EASTWAY'S WIRE WORKS, GEORGE-STREET.
NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
Take Notice that the Partnership carried on by STEPHEN ARTHUR MAWSON and ALMA CORALIE WEGENER as Storekeepers at Pitt Town, under the name of S. A. MAWSON and CO., has this day been DISSOLVED by mutual consent. The said business will still be carried on by the said STEPHEN ARTHUR MAWSON under the same name; and all Debts due by the said Partnership will be discharged by the said Stephen Arthur Mawson, and all Debts owing to the same must be paid to him. Dated this first day of February, 1907. S. A. MAWSON. ALMA CORALIE WEGENER. Witness to both Signatures, R. B. WALKER, Solicitor, Windsor.
IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF MRS. ANNIE LANG, Trading as CARTON and COY., Manly.
A SECOND DIVIDEND, at the rate of One Shilling and Tenpence (1s 10d) in the £ in the above Estate is now payable at my office. Promissory notes must be produced. ALBERT BORCHARD, F.S.I.A., Incorporated Accountant, Equitable-building, George-street. Sydney, 7th February, 1907.
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HERBERT KERMODE, age 15, left his home Feb. 4th, 1907. Anyone harbouring him will be prosecuted. S. KERMODE, Marrickville.
I WILL NOT be responsible for any DEBTS contracted in my name without my written authority. V. N. WILLIAMS, Feb. 7, 1907. 112 George-st, Camperdown.
THE pure and delightful Summer Drink of the season, Oertel's Fruit Cream and Soda. Try it.
JAMES H. ADGER, the only Skin and Hair Clinic. Advice and Rem., 10s 6d. T., 2256. 48 C'reagh-st.
TUTTON'S TOURIST AGENCY.—Tourists from other States, call on Tutton's, 108 Pitt-st, opp. G.P.O.
ENVELOPES from 1s 10d per 1000. Phillips, Stationer, Rubber Stamp Maker, 91 Market-st.
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WYCOMBE HEIGHTS ESTATE, MOSMAN, NEXT SATURDAY. RAINE and HORNE.
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TENDERS are invited for SINKING AN ARTESIAN BORE on BUNNA BUNNA STATION. Contractors to find everything, including Stewart's Russian Brand or American National Casing. Tenderers to state when they can commence work. Tenders, addressed to the undersigned, close on 1st March, 1907. All particulars can be obtained from THE MANAGER, Bunna Bunna Station, Millie.
BROKEN HILL SOUTH BLOCKS, LIMITED.
TENDERS are hereby invited for the Purchase of this company's output of Lead Concentrates for the months of February, March, April, and May of this year, at the rate of about two thousand tons per month. The concentrates are estimated to contain 50 per cent. to 60 per cent. of Lead, and 7 to 12 oz of silver per ton.
First delivery about the end of February, 1907. To be taken loose in trucks at Broken Hill and Silverton Tramway, weights to be accepted as final.
Tenders will be received at the office of the Company, Equitable-building, Collins-street, Melbourne, up till 12th February, 1907.
No tender necessarily accepted. BEWICK, MOREING, and COMPANY, General Managers. Equitable-building, Collins-street, Melbourne, 31st January, 1907.
BRICKLAYERS.—Price Chimney and Piers, Botany-st, Randwick, near tram waiting shed.
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GRAVEL, in any quantity, for Concrete, Garden Paths, Flat Roofs, Septic Tanks, Rough Casting, etc., HAWTHORNE GRAVEL COMPANY, Buckle's Wharf, Pyrmont.
IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF FRANCIS JOHN FULLER AND ARTHUR CLAUDE FULLER, Trading as Fuller and Co., STOREKEEPERS, WYONG.
INTENDING TENDERERS are reminded that TENDERS for the Purchase of the ASSETS in this Estate CLOSE THIS DAY AT NOON. STARKEY and STARKEY, 93 York-street.
MIDLAND RAILWAY. ARTHUR'S PASS TUNNEL CONTRACT.
ALTERNATIVE TENDERS will be received at the Public Works Office, Wellington, New Zealand, until noon of MONDAY, 18th March, 1907, for the CONSTRUCTION OF A TUNNEL, about five miles 25 chains in length, at Arthur's Pass, through the dividing range between Canterbury and Westland, on the route of the Midland Railway. They are to be addressed to the Hon. Minister for Public Works, and marked on the outside "Tender for Arthur's Pass Tunnel."
Plans, specifications, and conditions may be seen and other information obtained at the Public Works Offices, Melbourne and Sydney. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. By Order. P. S. HAY, Engineer-in-Chief. Public Works Offices, Wellington, 13th August, 1906.
PETTY'S, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION, Queen-street, Brisbane. PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
TENDERS are about to be called for Purchase of Stock of General Drapery, Lease of Premises, and Fixtures, Fittings and Plant, in the above Estate. For particulars apply T. M. HALL, Liquidator, Adelaide-street, Brisbane.
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PRICE for Brickwork of Villa; also Additions. J. Frank White, Architect, Arncliffe.
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THE NEW SOUTH WALES BRICK CO., LTD., Huntley-street, Alexandria. (Telephone, 412 Newtown.) Manufacturers of every description of Bricks.
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TO FENCERS.—Wanted price for about 28 rods, lab. only, Banksia. G. Setchell, 101 Phillip-st, Red.
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TO Let, at Sylvania, furnished Cottage, water-front., sandy beach, boating, etc. Lehane, Sylvania.
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ELLERY.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. ELLERY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved SON, James Harold; to leave 80 Crown-road, Pyrmont, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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IVUSICH-THOMPSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. HAPSBURG are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved FRIEND, Stephen Ivusich-Thompson; to leave their residence, Renwick-street, Drummoyne, THIS AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for Field of Mars Cemetery.
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JOHNSTONE.—The Relatives and Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM JOHNSTONE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SON, David Alfred Jenkins; to move from their residence, No. 410 Darling-street, Balmain, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Field of Mars.
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LARCOMBE.—The Friends of Mr. E. ANDREWS, Sen., and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his dearly beloved GRANDDAUGHTER and their NIECE, Adela Maud; to move from her late residence, East-street, Rookwood, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 3 p.m., for Independent Cemetery.

LOMAS.—The Friends of Mr. EDWARD LOMAS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved WIFE, Georgina; to leave his residence, No. 3 East-street, Surry Hills, THIS THURSDAY, at 1.30, for Rookwood Cemetery.
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PETERS.—The Friends of ALENEY PETERS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her late dearly loved DAUGHTER, Irene Myrtle; to leave her residence, 4 Phelps-street, Surry Hills, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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TURNER.—The Friends of Mr. JOSEPH TURNER and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved WIFE and MOTHER, Mrs. Martha Turner; to move from her late residence, Margaret-street, Woolwich, TO-MORROW (Friday), at 2 o'clock, for Gore Hill Cemetery.
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TWYFORD.—The Friends of Mrs. SARAH TWYFORD and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND and their FATHER, George William; to move from his residence, Clarence, Rawson-avenue, West Kogarah, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Sutherland Cemetery, via Carlton station. F. W. HARTLEY, Undertaker, 298 King-st, Newtown; Railway-p., Kog.

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TWYFORD.—The Relations of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. HONEYFIELD and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved BROTHER G. W. Twyford; to move from his residence, Rawson avenue, West Kogarah, at 2 p.m., for Sutherland Cemetery.

TWYFORD.—The Friends of Constable WILLIAM SPRING, of Redfern, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved BROTHER-IN-LAW, George William Twyford; to move from his late residence, Rawson-avenue, West Kogarah, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Sutherland Cem.

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DAILY LIST.

SUMMARY.
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HOSIERY.

	Usual Price.	Sale.
200 doz. Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, seamless, Morley's celebrated make	1/3½	1/
300 doz. Morley's Full Fashioned Wrought Foot Cashmere Hose, high spliced heels	1/6	1/2½
130 doz. Super Quality Cashmere Hose, made from long staple yarn, S. W's. and W's. only	2/6	1/9
45 doz. All lace Lisle Hose, black or tan, S. W., O.S., the latest designs	1/9	1/8
72 doz. Black and Tan Mercerised Lisle Hose, high lace ankles, looks like silk	1/11½	1/6½
10 doz. Ladies' Black Lace Cashmere Hose, Morley's	3/6	2/6
15 doz. Ladies' Embroidered Black Cashmere Hose	—	1/9
38 doz. Black Cashmere Hose, the celebrated India make, all sizes, 8½, 9, 9½, 10 inch	2/11	2/2
MEN BUY ALL THEIR REQUIREMENTS.		
300 doz. Navy or Black Cashmere Half-hose, medium weight, all sizes as stored	1/	/9
200 doz. H. R. Morley's Cashmere Half-hose, black or navy, all sizes	1/6	1/2
150 doz. J. and R. Morley's Cashmere Half-hose, black and navy, all sizes	2/6	2/
148 doz. Black Cotton Lisle Embroidered Half-hose, at less than English cost		
A.N.A.		
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10 doz. Fashion Shirts, large sizes only, 16½, 17, 17½	3/6	2/3
70 doz. ditto, Zephyr Oxford and Crepee	3/11	2/4½
35 doz. ditto, Cambric, New Designs	4/11	3/11
42doz. ditto, Zephyr	5/11	4/11
15 doz. ditto, Zephyr, with detachable collar	5/6	4/6
A.N.A.		
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Quality No. 1	2/11	2/3
Quality No. 2	3/9	2/11½
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Quality Q	3/3	2/6
Quality C	3/11	2/11½
Quality E, double back	3/11	2/11½
A.N.A. Made in Australia.		
150 doz. Men's Twill Flannelette Pyjamas, double felled seams	5/6	3/11
90doz. fine quality Ceylon	7/11	5/11
20 doz. fine quality "AN ODD LOT."	8/11	6/6
Silk and Natural Wool Shirts and Trousers—		
24in	11/	7/6
36in	12/	8/
38in	13/	8/6
40in	14/	9/
44in	15/6	9/6

CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

	Usual Price.	Sale Price.
We are determined to make a big clearance in this department. The Goods offered will speak for themselves, being exceptional value. At the prices marked for our Snap Sale a clear saving of 2/ to 4/ off present-day values will be effected. Now, Gentlemen, look through our big Clothing List—you are bound to find something you want.		
100 only Indigo Serge Suits, padded shoulders, medium or short lapels	27/6	21/
140 Heavy Make Indigo Serge, padded shoulders, medium or short lapels	35/	28/6
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165 only West of England Tweed Sac Suits, splendid range of patterns	32/6	24/11
80 only made from best quality Tweed	45/	35/6
100 only All-wool Sergerette, known as "OUR CHAMPION"	37/6	31/9
LOUNGE SUITS.		
Tweed Coat and Trousers, made from wool shrunk Tweed	23/6	18/9
SPECIAL LOTS OF TWEED TROUSERS.		
No. 1 Lot	7/6	5/11
No. 2 Lot	8/11	7/6
No. 3 Lot, Striped Worsted and West of England Tweed, Tailor-made	10/6	8/6
No. 4 Lot, Tweed Sergerette Serges, Worsted, equal to Trousers made to order	18/6	11/9
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Sergerette	27/9	23/9
Tweed—Grand Selection to choose from	25/	21/
TROUSERS.		
Tweed, Scotch, and Yorkshire	5/6	4/6
	6/6	5/6
	5/11	4/11
Serge	8/11	7/9
MEN'S HATS.		
All our Zardi Hard Hats Reduced.		
10 doz. Imitation Panama Hats	4/6	2/11
12 doz. Folding Pedal	4/6	3/9
50 doz. Soft Frame, Wide Leaf	7/11	6/6
CAPS, BOATERS all Reduced.		
Our Famous Zardi, 6/6 Quality, reduced to 5/11.		
Our Famous Zardi	9/6	8/6
Our Famous Zardi	10/6	9/6
Our Famous Zardi	17/6	10/6
JUVENILE CLOTHING.		
Norfolk Suits, Navy Cashmere Serge	11/9	9/6
Our "Special"	13/9	11/6
Our "Wonder"	17/11	15/6
3 SPECIALS IN TWEED NORFOLK.		
No. 1	12/6	9/11
No. 2	14/6	11/9
No. 3	17/6	14/6
150 Only Sailor Suits, Fast Dye Serge	8/11	6/11
200 Ditto, Tweed	8/11	6/11
800 Pairs Boys' Navy Serge Knickers, all sizes	—	2/6
250 Striped Galatea Blouses	—	1/11½
200 Ditto	—	2/6
100 White Reefer Drill Coats, 1 to 6	—	1/11½
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WANTED, young GIRL, assist housework, sleep home pref. Apply after 9, 29 Woolcott-st, Drmz.

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WANTED, smart Housemaid-Waitress, sleep in. Apply Cranbrook, Hunter-st.

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